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This Week's Keyword

Quantum Advantage

Milestones & PQC Urgency

45	8	70	$2.0B+
articles	countries	logical qubits	USD
Total Articles	Source Countries	IBM QC Advantage	US Quantum Funding

All 45 Articles This Week — 5-Axis Evaluation Matrix

How to read columns — Tech Novelty: degree of breakthrough Market Proximity: closeness to commercialization Market Impact: industry-wide effect Data Reliability: quantitative data & peer review US/EU Relevance: direct impact on US/European companies & supply chains

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#01	IBM 70 Logical Qubits	Research	4.5	2	4	4.5	4.5	IBM achieves "trusted quantum advantage" with 70 logical qubits, 10x error reduction, outperforming Fugaku in material physics modeling.
#02	Hybrid QC for HPC/AI	Analysis	3	3	4	2	4	Quantum hybrid computing integrates HPC and AI to accelerate drug discovery, materials science, and optimization.
#03	ZuriQ €22.4M Seed	Corporate Strategy	3	2	3	3	4.5	Swiss startup ZuriQ raises €22.4M seed for trapped-ion quantum computer development towards utility-scale processors.
#04	QC Sim for Advantage	Trend Article	2	3	3	1	3	Quantum simulation is the clearest path to "quantum advantage" in 2026, with industrial applications gaining traction.
#05	India Trapped-Ion QC	Corporate Strategy	3	2	2	2	2	Tech Mahindra and I-HUB QTF partner to build India's first indigenous trapped-ion quantum computing platform.
#06	US PQC Deadlines	Policy Update	1	4.5	4	3	4.5	US government mandates PQC migration for federal systems by 2030 (high-value assets) and 2031 (digital signatures).
#07	Ciena/Toshiba Q-Safe	New Product	3	4	4	4	4.5	Ciena, Toshiba demonstrate 1.6 Tb/s quantum-safe optical encryption (PQC+QKD) on live commercial network.
#08	India Quantum Network	Research	4	1	3	4.5	2	Bose Institute introduces GCP protocol for efficient quantum network connectivity, reducing entanglement requirements.
#09	D-Wave 99.9% Fidelity	Research	4.5	2	4	4.5	4	D-Wave achieves 99.9% fidelity two-qubit gate in superconducting architecture, a major step for quantum error correction.
#10	IonQ Quantum Memory	Corporate Strategy	4	3	4	4	4.5	IonQ and EPB launch Tennessee Quantum Communications Research Center, operating world's first commercial quantum memory.
#11	IBM/RIKEN Mat. QC	Research	4.5	2	4	4	4.5	BlueQubit, Qedma, IBM, RIKEN achieve quantum advantage in material behavior prediction on error-mitigated quantum processors.
#12	IBM Trusted QC Adv.	Research	4.5	2	4	4.5	4.5	IBM & Algorithmiq pioneer framework for trusted quantum advantage in classically unverifiable computations, simulating quantum materials.

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#13	Quemix Battery QC	Corporate Strategy						Quemix to accelerate battery material development using quantum computers after NEDO subsidy adoption in Japan.
#14	UCSD Quantum Mat.	Research Funding						NSF awards $18M grant to UC San Diego for a new Quantum Materials Research Center to develop crucial materials.
#15	US/France QC Invest	Policy Update						US and France announce multi-billion dollar quantum strategy investments, intensifying the global race for quantum tech.
#16	QC Drug Discovery Mkt	Market Overview						Global Quantum Drug Discovery Market is booming with evolving hardware and software ecosystems, enhancing molecular understanding.
#17	NIST Entanglement 38M	Research						NIST demonstrates quantum entanglement survival over 38.5 miles of ordinary internet cable with 92.8% success rate.
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#20	DigiCert PQC Guide	Market Report						DigiCert releases 'Post-Quantum Cryptography For Dummies' 2nd edition to guide organizations on quantum readiness and PQC migration.
#21	QuEra QC Roadmap	Corporate Strategy						QuEra unveils roadmap for fault-tolerant quantum computing: 256-logical-qubit 'Megaquop' by 2028, 1,000+ 'Gigaquop' by 2029.
#22	NIH Quantum Sensing	Research Funding						NIH launches 'Quantum Sensing Technology Challenge' to apply quantum technologies to biomedical research and clinical applications.
#23	PQC TLS Policy Gap	Research						arXiv paper investigates the policy-reality gap in post-quantum TLS deployment, highlighting practical PQC adoption challenges.
#24	US QC IP Hardware Race	Policy Update						US Commerce Dept. invests over $2B in quantum, shifting IP market to hardware-driven patent race, backing IBM and PsiQuantum.
#25	Rigetti 108Q Fidelity	Corporate Update						Rigetti reports 99.1% 2-qubit gate fidelity on 108-qubit 'Cepheus-1', targets 1,000 qubits at 99.9% fidelity in 3 years.
#26	IonQ US QC Strategy	Policy Analysis						IonQ identifies US Executive Orders (EO 14413, 14412) as a "watershed moment" for quantum strategy, shifting to real-world application.
#27	UCLA 60 Logical Qubit	Research Funding						UCLA-led team secures $4M NSF award to design a 60-logical-qubit fault-tolerant quantum computer based on trapped ions.
#28	D-Wave FinCrime QC	Corporate Strategy						D-Wave and Nasdaq Verafin partner to develop quantum computing applications for financial crime management.
#29	Hitachi/Intel 1000Q	Corporate Strategy						Hitachi leverages Intel's 18A process for mass production development of 1000-qubit class silicon quantum computers.
#30	Osaka U. Power Opt.	Research						TISI and Osaka University achieve commercial-solver-level accuracy for over 10,000 power resource optimization via quantum computer.

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#31	Canada QC Defense Hub	Research Funding	●●●○	●●○○	●●●○	●●●○	●●●●	Canadian government invests $20.3M in UCalgary's Quantum Defence Innovation Secure Hub for defense and security applications.
#32	DOE Silicon QC Disord.	Research	●●●○	●○○○	●●●○	●●●○	●●●●	US DOE highlights research uncovering hidden disorder in silicon quantum computers, crucial for scalable computing.
#33	Rice AI Quantum Mat.	Research Funding	●●●●	●○○○	●●●○	●●●●	●●●●	Rice University receives $19.9M NSF grant to build 'READINESS,' an AI-driven quantum materials lab to accelerate discovery.
#34	UK QC Software Fund	Policy Update	●○○○	●●●○	●●●○	●●●○	●●●●	Innovate UK announces up to £13M funding for quantum computing software projects, prioritizing commercially viable solutions.
#35	EU QC PQC Gap	Policy Analysis	●○○○	●●●●	●●●●	●●○○	●●●●	EU Quantum Flagship roadmaps criticized for lacking PQC workstream and inconsistencies with broader Quantum Europe Strategy.
#36	QTREX QC Interconn.	New Product	●●●●	●●●○	●●●●	●●●●	●●●●	QTREX Quantum's interconnect platform exceeds RF performance requirements, enabling scalable high-density quantum hardware.
#37	Mitsu. Elec. JIJ Opt.	Corporate Strategy	●●●○	●●●○	●●●○	●●●○	●●●○	Mitsubishi Electric invests in JIJ, a startup developing mathematical optimization middleware for quantum computers.
#38	Thai/EU QC Ecosystem	Corporate Strategy	●●○○	●●○○	●●○○	●●○○	●●●○	Thai government partners to build sovereign quantum ecosystem; Finland's QMill and Montreal's ÉTS collaborate on quantum algorithms for energy.
#39	IonQ Acquires SkyWater	Corporate Strategy	●●●●	●●●●	●●●●	●●●●	●●●●	IonQ completes $1.8B acquisition of SkyWater Technology, establishing industry's first vertically integrated quantum platform.
#40	ABQ-Net QC Network	New Product	●●●○	●●●○	●●●○	●●●○	●●●●	ABQ-Net quantum network launches in New Mexico with funding to accelerate quantum commercialization and attract talent.
#41	DigiCert PQC Guide 2	Market Report	●○○○	●●●●	●●●○	●●○○	●●●●	DigiCert releases 'Post-Quantum Cryptography For Dummies' 2nd edition to guide NIST-standard PQC migration.
#42	Booz Allen QC Pitch	Corporate Strategy	●○○○	●●●○	●●○○	●●○○	●●●●	Booz Allen announces $25,000 grand prize for Quantum Startup Pitch Competition to accelerate commercialization.
#43	wolfSSL PQC Satell.	New Product	●●●○	●●●●	●●●●	●●●○	●●●●	wolfSSL achieves FIPS 140-3 Level 3 validation for PQC in satellite systems, enabling CNSA 2.0 compliance.
#44	US $2B QC Invest	Policy Update	●○○○	●●●●	●●●●	●●●○	●●●●	US Commerce Dept. invests over $2B in quantum computing via CHIPS Act, bolstering domestic manufacturing and R&D.;
#45	US QC Strategy EOs	Policy Analysis	●○○○	●●●●	●●●●	●●●○	●●●●	US government advances national quantum strategy through executive orders on quantum innovation and post-quantum cryptography.

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Three Questions That Demand Your Decision This Week

❶ Is your PQC migration plan on track for 2030?

US government mandates (articles #06, #26, #45) and commercial solutions (articles #07, #19, #43) highlight the urgent need for PQC. Evaluate your critical systems and supply chain exposure now.

❷ Are you investing in quantum hardware or applications?

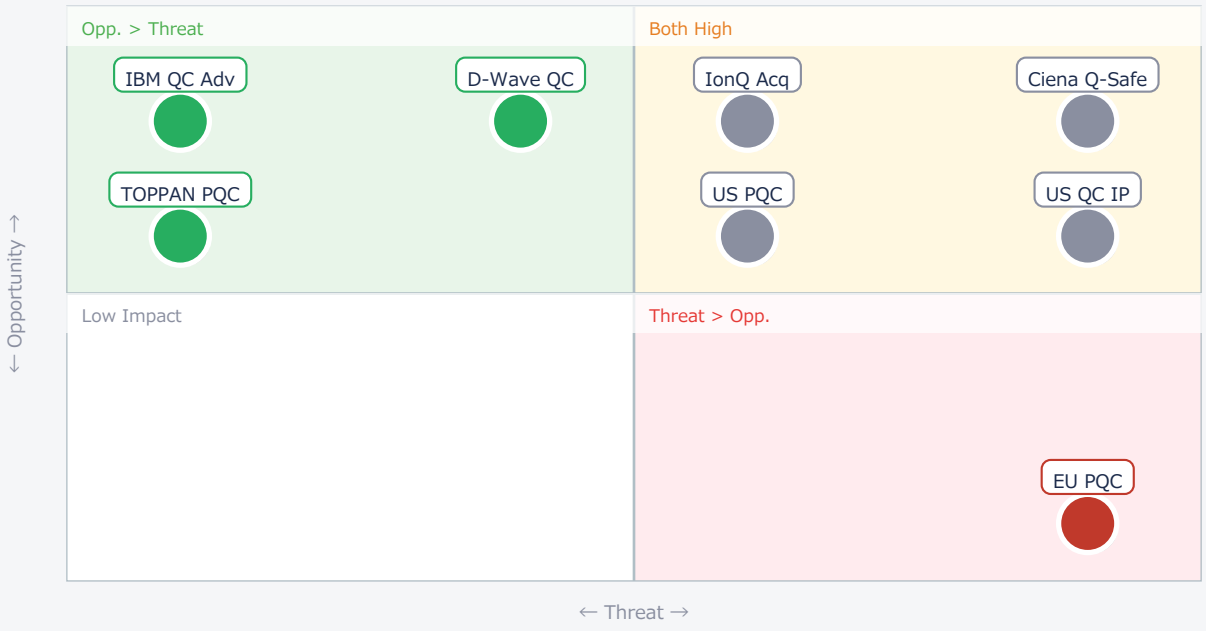
Major investments in quantum foundries (articles #24, #39, #44) and error correction breakthroughs (articles #09, #18, #25) signal a hardware-driven race. Identify where your competitive edge lies.

❸ How will verifiable quantum advantage impact your R&D;?

IBM's "trusted quantum advantage" (articles #01, #12) in material physics modeling demonstrates quantum computers as practical R&D; tools. Assess potential for accelerating drug discovery and materials science.

Opportunities vs. Threats for US/European Companies

Opportunity vs. Threat Matrix for US/European Companies



Item	Quadrant	↑ Opportunity	↓ Threat
IonQ Acq	Critical	Vertical control	Competitor scale
Ciena Q-Safe	Critical	Secure comms	Lagging adoption
US PQC	Critical	PQC market boom	Compliance burden
US QC IP	Critical	US hardware growth	IP race intensifies
IBM QC Adv	Opp.	New R&D; tool	High entry barrier
D-Wave QC	Opp.	Fault-tolerant QC	Hardware complexity
TOPPAN PQC	Opp.	PQC product sales	Market fragmentation
EU PQC	Threat	Policy reform	EU cyber vulnerab.

Deep Dive ① — IonQ's Vertical Integration

#39 | 2026/07/31 | Stock Titan | Tech Novelty●●●●○ Proximity●●●●● Market Impact●●●●● Data Reliability●●●●○ US/EU Relevance●●●●●

IonQ's $1.8B acquisition of SkyWater Technology creates the quantum industry's first vertically integrated, full-stack platform, gaining direct control over quantum chip manufacturing. This streamlines the supply chain, accelerates innovation, and optimizes processor performance.

This strategic move enhances IonQ's ability to improve scalability and reduce production costs for its trapped-ion quantum processors, crucial for iterative improvements and reducing qubit error rates. It may also lead to future foundry services for other quantum firms.

▶ Strategic Analyst's Perspective

Strategic Analyst's Perspective: The acquisition is a bold, realistic move reflecting the maturation of the quantum industry. Vertical integration is a proven strategy in semiconductors to control quality, cost, and IP. The $1.8B valuation for SkyWater suggests strong confidence in IonQ's long-term vision. Technical Barriers: Integrating two complex organizations and diverse technical cultures (quantum physics vs. traditional foundry operations) will be challenging. Ensuring SkyWater's processes can meet the extreme precision and cryogenic requirements for quantum chips is key. [Opportunity] for US/EU OEMs & Device Manufacturers: Potential for a more stable, domestic supply of high-quality quantum chips from IonQ's foundry services in the future. [Threat] for Materials & Component Suppliers: Increased competition and potential for IonQ to internalize more of its supply chain, reducing reliance on external suppliers. Next Actions: [Strategy] Evaluate current quantum hardware supplier dependencies and explore potential for new partnerships with vertically integrated players like IonQ by Q4 2026. [Procurement] Monitor IonQ's foundry service offerings for future component sourcing.

Deep Dive ② — IBM's Trusted Quantum Advantage

#01 | 2026/07/30 | IBM | Tech Novelty●●●●● Proximity●●○○○ Market Impact●●●●○ Data Reliability●●●●● US/EU Relevance●●●●●

IBM, with collaborators, achieved "trusted quantum advantage" using 70 logical qubits, demonstrating verifiable computations that surpass classical supercomputers in material physics modeling. This reduced effective gate error rate by 10x.

The breakthrough allowed an IBM Quantum Heron processor to model complex material physics in 74-qubit systems within 15 minutes, outperforming classical supercomputers like Fugaku. This signals quantum computing's readiness as a practical R&D; tool.

▶ Strategic Analyst's Perspective

Strategic Analyst's Perspective: This is a significant scientific milestone, moving beyond theoretical quantum supremacy to "trusted" advantage with verifiable results. The 10x error reduction is crucial. However, "15 minutes" for a specific material physics problem, while outperforming Fugaku, still implies a specialized, not general-purpose, advantage. Technical Barriers: Scaling logical qubits further while maintaining high fidelity and reducing computational time for broader problems remains a challenge. The "trusted" framework needs wider adoption and validation across diverse quantum algorithms. [Opportunity] for R&D; Engineers: Leverage IBM's quantum cloud services for advanced material simulations and drug discovery, gaining early insights. [Threat] for Classical HPC Providers: Quantum computers are starting to carve out niches where they outperform classical systems, potentially impacting future demand for certain simulation workloads. Next Actions: [R&D;] Initiate pilot projects with quantum computing providers (e.g., IBM Quantum) to explore material science and chemistry applications by Q1 2027. [Strategy] Assess long-term R&D; roadmaps for quantum integration.

Deep Dive ③ — Quantum-Safe Optical Encryption

#07 | 2026/08/04 | Fierce Network | Tech Novelty●●●○○ Proximity●●●●○ Market Impact●●●●○ Data Reliability●●●●○ US/EU Relevance●●●●●

Ciena, Toshiba, and Quantum Corridor successfully demonstrated 1.6 Tb/s quantum-safe optical encryption on a live commercial network, integrating NIST-certified PQC with QKD.

This trial showed that existing Ciena customers could adopt PQC through software upgrades, offering a cost-effective and rapid migration path to protect data against future quantum attacks without extensive hardware overhauls.

▶ Strategic Analyst's Perspective

Strategic Analyst's Perspective: This is a highly practical and near-market solution. The ability to integrate PQC via software upgrades on existing infrastructure is a game-changer for rapid deployment and cost efficiency. The 1.6 Tb/s speed is impressive for real-world applications. Technical Barriers: Full standardization and interoperability across different vendor QKD/PQC implementations are still evolving. The complexity of managing hybrid PQC/QKD systems in large-scale networks needs to be simplified for broader adoption. [Opportunity] for Procurement & Supply Chain Managers: Evaluate PQC-ready network equipment and software upgrades to secure critical data in transit, especially for sensitive government and financial communications. [Threat] for Legacy Network Security Providers: Companies not offering PQC-upgradeable solutions risk losing market share as PQC mandates become widespread. Next Actions: [Procurement] Conduct a vendor assessment of network infrastructure for PQC upgradeability and QKD integration capabilities by end of Q4 2026. [IT Security] Develop a roadmap for integrating PQC into network security protocols.

Other Notable Articles

US Government Mandates Strict PQC Migration Deadlines for Federal Systems by 2030 and 2031 (OpenSSL Corporation)

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US federal PQC deadlines create urgent compliance needs and a booming market for quantum-safe cybersecurity solutions.

D-Wave Achieves Major Hardware Breakthrough in Quantum Error Correction with 99.9% Fidelity Two-Qubit Gate (D-Wave Quantum Inc.)

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D-Wave's 99.9% fidelity two-qubit gate significantly advances fault-tolerant quantum computing with lower hardware overhead.

TOPPAN Develops "PQC CARD Dual," World's First Dual-Interface Smart Card Featuring NIST-Standardized Post-Quantum Cryptography (TOPPAN)

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TOPPAN's PQC smart card offers a practical, low-cost solution for securing public and medical authentication by 2027.

US Commerce Dept. Fuels Quantum IP Market Shift to Hardware-Driven Patent Race with Over $2 Billion Federal Funding, Backing IBM Quantum Foundry and PsiQuantum (MBHB)

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Over $2B in US federal funding is shifting quantum IP focus to hardware manufacturing, intensifying the patent race.

EU Quantum Flagship Roadmaps Criticized for Lacking PQC Workstream and Inconsistencies with Broader Strategy (Qubit by Qubit)

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EU's quantum strategy faces criticism for PQC oversight, potentially leaving European digital infrastructure vulnerable.

Recommended Actions This Week

Action recommendations based on article evaluation matrix and opportunity/threat analysis.

Immediate (this week)

- [Executive] Review US PQC migration mandates (EO 14412, 14413) and assess their direct impact on federal contracts and internal systems.
- [IT Security] Begin inventorying all cryptographic assets and identifying those vulnerable to quantum attacks, prioritizing high-value data.
- [Strategy] Initiate discussions with legal and IP teams to understand the implications of a hardware-driven quantum IP race.

Short-term (1 month)

- [Procurement] Engage with current IT and network security vendors (e.g., Ciena, wolfSSL) to understand their PQC-ready product roadmaps and upgrade paths.
- [R&D;] Form a cross-functional team (materials, chemistry, quantum) to evaluate the potential of "trusted quantum advantage" for accelerating internal R&D; projects.
- [Business Dev] Research the competitive landscape for quantum hardware (e.g., IonQ, D-Wave, Rigetti, QuEra) and identify potential partnership or acquisition targets.
- [Legal/IP] Conduct a preliminary IP landscape analysis for quantum hardware and error correction to identify key players and potential licensing opportunities/threats.

Medium-long term (quarter+)

- [Strategy] Develop a comprehensive 3-5 year quantum readiness strategy, including PQC migration, quantum computing adoption, and talent development.
- [R&D;] Invest in quantum algorithm development and explore hybrid quantum-classical computing solutions for complex optimization and simulation problems.
- [Procurement] Establish a framework for evaluating and integrating quantum-safe hardware and software into future supply chain requirements.
- [Executive] Advocate for consistent and clear PQC standardization and funding within relevant EU policy bodies to ensure a robust European quantum ecosystem.

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#01 IBM Demonstrates "Trusted Quantum Advantage" with 70 Logical Qubits, Achieving 10x Error Reduction and Outperforming Classical Supercomputers in Material Physics Modeling

Published July 30, 2026 IBM USA

OVERVIEW

IBM, in collaboration with the University of Chicago, Qedma, Algorithmiq, BlueQubit, and RIKEN, has achieved a "trusted quantum advantage" using 70 logical qubits, demonstrating verifiable quantum computations that surpass classical capabilities. This breakthrough reduced the effective gate error rate by a factor of 10 and allowed an IBM Quantum Heron processor with Qedma's QESEM software to model complex material physics dynamics in 74-qubit systems within approximately 15 minutes, outperforming classical supercomputers like Fugaku. This milestone significantly advances the field, signaling quantum computing's readiness as a practical R&D tool for areas such as material science and optimization.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

IBM, through a comprehensive collaboration with the University of Chicago, Qedma, Algorithmiq, BlueQubit, and RIKEN, has successfully demonstrated "trusted quantum advantage" using 70 logical qubits, enabling verifiable high-fidelity computations that are infeasible for classical supercomputers. This monumental achievement involved a 10x reduction in effective gate error rates, allowing the completion of calculations within approximately 15 minutes that would otherwise be beyond the reach of conventional computing methods, including the Fugaku supercomputer.

Technical / Clinical Details

The demonstration is founded on a novel framework called "Trusted Quantum Computation," which combines methods for verifying random circuit sampling problems with spacetime codes designed to certify classically hard quantum computations. This approach provides reliable quantum outputs even when exact classical verification is impossible. The research team leveraged Qedma's QESEM software on an IBM Quantum Heron processor to model intricate material physics dynamics in systems with up to 74 qubits. The technique effectively translates physical qubits into highly reliable logical qubits, dramatically mitigating errors inherent in quantum operations.

- **Logical Qubits:** The demonstration utilized 70 logical qubits, with the underlying physical qubit system operating up to 74 qubits.
- **Error Reduction:** A new error correction method and spacetime codes achieved a 10x reduction in the effective gate error rate.
- **Computation Time:** Calculations deemed infeasible for classical methods were completed in approximately 15 minutes.
- **Classical Benchmarking:** The quantum system demonstrably outperformed classical supercomputers, including Japan's Fugaku, in predicting complex material behaviors.
- **Publication:** The detailed findings of this research were presented in a paper titled "Sampling Hard Circuits With Verifiably High Fidelity."

Background & Context

Achieving quantum advantage has been a long-standing goal in quantum computing, signifying the point where quantum machines demonstrably surpass classical ones for specific tasks. While previous demonstrations of quantum supremacy existed, validating their outputs often proved challenging. The "trusted quantum advantage" introduces an inherent verification mechanism, substantially enhancing the practicality and trustworthiness of quantum computational results. This marks a critical juncture where quantum computing begins to offer tangible value for scientific research and industrial applications, moving beyond theoretical demonstrations to verifiable real-world utility.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

This breakthrough is poised to accelerate the application of quantum computing in areas traditionally difficult for classical computers, such as drug discovery, advanced materials science, and complex optimization problems. The ability to model material physics with unprecedented accuracy and predictive power will likely lead to new scientific discoveries and technological innovations. Building on this success, IBM is pushing forward with its roadmap to deliver a fault-tolerant Starling system with 200 logical qubits by 2029, promising further advancements toward the widespread practical adoption of quantum computing. This positions IBM and its collaborators at the forefront of the quantum era, transforming quantum computing into an active, commercial R&D instrument.

Source: https://newsroom.ibm.com/2026-07-30-ibm-and-the-university-of-chicago-demonstrate-quantum-advantage,-establishing-trusted-quantum-computation-on-logical-circuits

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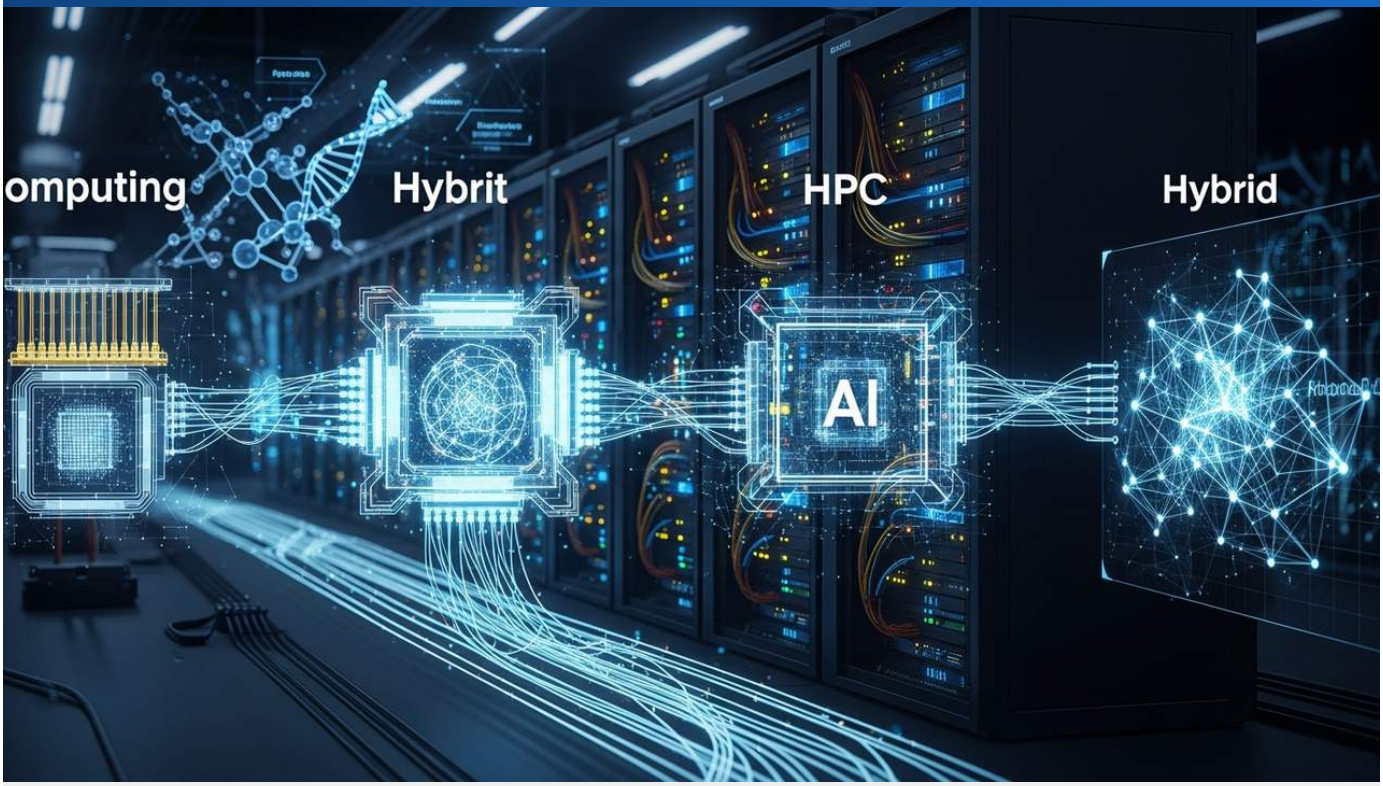
#02 Quantum Hybrid Computing Integrates HPC and AI to Accelerate Applications in Drug Discovery, Materials Science, and Optimization

Published August 04, 2026 SiliconANGLE USA



OVERVIEW

Quantum hybrid computing is emerging as a critical integration of high-performance computing (HPC), AI, and quantum systems, poised to deliver early value in chemistry, materials science, and optimization, with significant potential to accelerate drug discovery. This approach underscores that quantum computing will augment, rather than replace, classical computing. Current engineering efforts are intensely focused on advancing error correction and sophisticated software integration to realize these applications.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

Quantum hybrid computing is establishing itself as a pivotal integration point between high-performance computing (HPC), artificial intelligence (AI), and quantum systems, demonstrating early, tangible value in areas such as chemistry, materials science, and optimization, with strong potential to significantly accelerate drug discovery processes. This integrated paradigm firmly positions quantum computing not as a replacement, but as a powerful extension of classical computing capabilities.

Technical / Clinical Details

The quantum hybrid architecture leverages the immense computational power of classical supercomputers in conjunction with the unique quantum mechanical phenomena—like superposition and entanglement—enabled by quantum processors. This synergy allows for addressing complex challenges, such as intricate molecular simulations and large-scale optimization problems, which are intractable for classical computing alone. Key technical challenges currently receiving intense focus include the refinement of quantum error correction techniques to manage qubit fragility and the development of robust software integration frameworks to ensure seamless data flow and computational orchestration across disparate systems. Advances in these areas are crucial for broadening the applicability and industrial adoption of quantum technologies.

- **Integrated Approach:** A unified strategy combining HPC, AI, and quantum computing to tackle previously intractable problems.
- **Initial Application Domains:** Chemistry (new material synthesis), materials science (novel functional material design), optimization (logistics, finance), and drug discovery (molecular dynamics simulation) are primary targets.
- **Engineering Focus:** Quantum error correction and comprehensive software integration, bridging classical and quantum computational paradigms, are paramount for progress.

Background & Context

In the nascent stages of quantum computing, the focus often rested on the standalone capabilities of quantum processors. However, it has become increasingly clear that solving real-world problems necessitates deep integration with existing, powerful classical infrastructure. HPC provides the ability to process vast datasets at high speeds, while AI excels at pattern recognition and optimal solution searching. Quantum computing, when combined with these, amplifies their strengths. The pharmaceutical industry, in particular, faces challenges of time and cost in drug development. Accelerating molecular simulations through quantum hybrid computing offers the potential to drastically shorten the new drug discovery cycle, providing a significant competitive advantage.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

The evolution of quantum hybrid computing is set to trigger a new wave of innovation across various industries. As advancements in error correction and software integration enhance the reliability and usability of quantum systems, their application is expected to expand to a wider array of engineering and scientific problems. Ultimately, pharmaceutical companies, chemical manufacturers, and financial institutions are anticipated to integrate quantum hybrid systems into their routine R&D workflows, establishing a distinct competitive edge. This convergence will transform the quantum computing landscape, making it an indispensable tool for future technological progress.

Source: https://siliconangle.com/2026/08/04/quantum-hybrid-computing-hpeworldquantumday/

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#03 Swiss Quantum Startup ZuriQ Secures €22.4M Seed Round for Trapped-Ion Quantum Computer Development, Aiming for Utility-Scale Processors

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OVERVIEW

Swiss quantum computing startup ZuriQ has successfully raised €22.4 million in Seed funding to accelerate the development of its next-generation trapped-ion quantum processors. The capital will be deployed to intensify research and development, expand its engineering team, and scale its chip technology towards utility-scale quantum computers. This significant investment underscores growing investor confidence in the commercialization potential of trapped-ion quantum technology.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

ZuriQ, a quantum computing startup based in Switzerland, has successfully closed a significant Seed funding round, raising €22.4 million (approximately $24.3 million USD, based on current exchange rates). This substantial capital injection is earmarked to propel the development of its next-generation trapped-ion quantum processors, accelerating research and development efforts, expanding its engineering team, and scaling its chip technology towards the realization of utility-scale quantum computers.

Technical / Clinical Details

ZuriQ's trapped-ion quantum processors operate by trapping ionized atoms in an ultra-high vacuum using electromagnetic fields and then manipulating their quantum states (qubits) with lasers. This method is highly advantageous due to strong qubit coupling and the potential for very high gate fidelity (accuracy). Trapped ions also exhibit excellent qubit homogeneity, making it easier to maintain uniform characteristics across many qubits. The secured funding will primarily be allocated to:

- **Accelerated R&D:** Focusing on increasing qubit count, enhancing connectivity, and improving gate fidelity.
- **Team Expansion:** Recruiting specialized talent including quantum physicists, hardware engineers, and software developers to bolster its development capabilities.
- **Chip Technology Scale-Up:** Transitioning from current prototypes to larger-scale, more reliable chip designs and manufacturing processes critical for commercial viability.

Background & Context

The quantum computing industry is characterized by intense competition across various qubit modalities, including superconducting, silicon spin, and neutral atom systems. Trapped-ion technology is considered one of the most promising avenues for achieving fault-tolerant quantum computers due to its inherently high gate fidelity and stability. Recent years have seen a surge in private investment in this sector, and ZuriQ's substantial Seed round reflects the increasing market confidence and anticipation for the commercialization and practical application of trapped-ion technology. Europe, in particular, holds a strong position in quantum technology R&D, and startups like ZuriQ are expected to be key drivers in this domain.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

This funding round is a pivotal milestone for ZuriQ, advancing its vision of achieving utility-scale quantum computers. With enhanced engineering and R&D capabilities, the company is expected to accelerate the increase in qubit count and reduction in error rates. This trajectory brings the practical application of prototypes and, ultimately, the delivery of commercially viable quantum computers within sight in the coming years. Financial, materials science, and pharmaceutical sectors, among others, will likely benefit from ZuriQ's trapped-ion technology offering innovative solutions for complex optimization and simulation problems.

Source: https://startupmafia.eu/swiss-quantum-startup-zuriq-raises-e22-4m-seed-round-to-scale-next-generation-quantum-computers

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#04 Quantum Simulation Emerges as Clearest Path to "Quantum Advantage" in 2026, with Industrial Applications Gaining Traction

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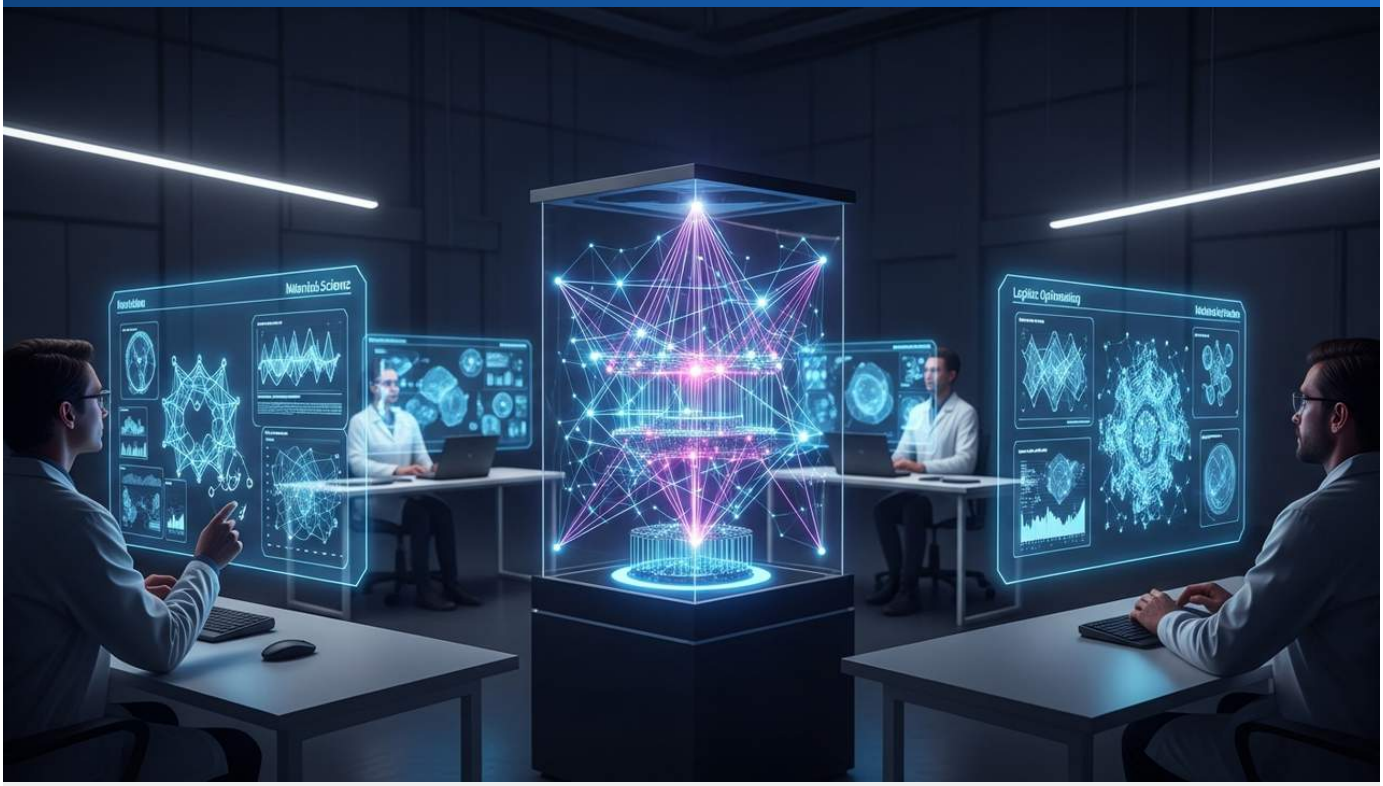

OVERVIEW

In 2026, "quantum advantage" is increasingly defined by specific scientific and industrial workloads, with quantum simulation identified as the clearest route to delivering verifiable scientific evidence. Optimization and machine learning are also showing significant promise as areas for practical quantum applications. This article differentiates quantum advantage from quantum supremacy and highlights its growing relevance in real-world problem-solving.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

As of 2026, "quantum advantage" is increasingly manifesting through concrete examples tied to specific scientific and industrial workloads. Quantum simulation, in particular, has emerged as the most distinct and promising pathway for generating useful scientific evidence, while optimization problems and machine learning also demonstrate substantial potential for practical applications.

Technical / Clinical Details

"Quantum advantage" refers to the state where a quantum computer can solve a specific computational task faster, more efficiently, or at a scale impossible for the best classical computers. This differs from "quantum supremacy," a more theoretical concept demonstrating a quantum computer's ability to solve problems intractable for classical computers. In 2026, quantum advantage is showing concrete results in the following areas:

- **Quantum Simulation:** Directly simulating the quantum properties of molecules and materials dramatically improves the accuracy and speed of predicting chemical reactions and material properties for drug discovery and novel material design. This is considered the clearest evidence of quantum advantage in fundamental science.
- **Optimization Problems:** Quantum algorithms are expected to find optimal solutions for complex, combinatorial explosion-prone problems, such as financial portfolio optimization, logistics route efficiency, and manufacturing scheduling, at levels challenging for classical methods.
- **Machine Learning:** Quantum machine learning algorithms hold the potential to complement or surpass classical AI in pattern recognition, feature extraction, and clustering from large datasets.

Background & Context

For a long time, quantum computing research and development focused on theoretical exploration and building small-scale prototypes. However, recent advancements in hardware and algorithm refinement have brought the application to real-world challenges within reach. Quantum simulation, specifically, which directly handles the behavior of quantum many-body systems difficult for classical computers to simulate, is recognized for its high potential to deepen fundamental understanding and lead to groundbreaking discoveries in fields such as chemistry, physics, and materials science. This has spurred increased investment and expectations from both academia and industry.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

The materialization of quantum advantage examples will further accelerate the commercialization of quantum computing. Companies are likely to actively pursue early adoption as they clearly recognize the competitive edge quantum technology can provide for specific business challenges. The focus moving forward will be on expanding the application scope to larger molecular systems in quantum simulation, more practical optimization problems, and advanced AI models. Through these efforts, quantum computing is expected to evolve from laboratory experimentation into a tool that generates real value in industrial sectors.

Source: https://www.insidedeeptech.com/quantum-advantage-the-real-examples-emerging-in-2026/

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#05 Tech Mahindra and I-HUB QTF Partner to Establish India's First Indigenous Trapped-Ion Quantum Computing Platform

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OVERVIEW

Tech Mahindra and I-HUB QTF have partnered to build India's first indigenous trapped-ion quantum computing platform, accelerating domestic quantum infrastructure development. This collaboration aims to drive innovation in research, algorithm development, quantum machine learning, and post-quantum cryptography, providing a training environment for researchers and industries in areas like drug discovery, logistics, and defense. This strategic move aligns with India's national quantum mission to foster self-reliance and global leadership in quantum technologies.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

Tech Mahindra, a global leader in digital transformation, and I-HUB QTF (Innovation Hub for Quantum Technology Foundation) have announced a strategic partnership to develop indigenous quantum infrastructure in India, with a specific focus on establishing a trapped-ion quantum computing platform. This initiative marks a significant step for India in asserting self-reliance and leadership in the rapidly evolving global quantum technology landscape.

Technical / Clinical Details

The collaboration will concentrate on the development of a trapped-ion quantum computing platform, a technology known for its high qubit stability and excellent gate fidelity, making it a strong candidate for fault-tolerant quantum computing. The platform is designed to support a comprehensive spectrum of activities, from fundamental and applied research to industrialization. This includes accelerating the development of quantum algorithms, advancing quantum machine learning, and pioneering research in post-quantum cryptography (PQC) for future cybersecurity needs. To bolster India's quantum ecosystem, the partnership also commits to providing a robust training environment for researchers, startups, and professionals across various industrial sectors.

Background & Context

The race for quantum technological supremacy is intensifying globally, with numerous nations launching national quantum strategies. This partnership aligns with the Indian government's 'National Quantum Mission,' aiming to establish India as a formidable player in the quantum domain. Tech Mahindra's extensive experience in IT services, combined with I-HUB QTF's backing from India's Department of Science and Technology, creates a powerful synergy to advance quantum technology development across both hardware and software fronts. The expected industrial applications span complex molecular simulations in drug discovery, optimization problems in logistics and supply chain management, and advanced information processing for defense.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

This partnership is integral to India's long-term vision of establishing quantum technology leadership. In the future, the platform is expected to serve as a vital hub connecting India's academia and industry, fostering the development of next-generation quantum talent and nurturing an innovative ecosystem. The maturation of trapped-ion quantum computing technology holds the promise of more powerful and stable quantum computers, capable of addressing diverse societal challenges. Furthermore, the indigenization of quantum technology carries significant strategic importance for ensuring supply chain security and national technological sovereignty.

Source: https://www.techmahindra.com/en-in/tech-mahindra-i-hub-qtf-partner-on-quantum-computing/

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#06 US Government Mandates Strict PQC Migration Deadlines for Federal Systems by 2030 and 2031

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OVERVIEW

The US government has established new mandatory deadlines for the transition to post-quantum cryptography (PQC) in federal systems, with high-value assets to be migrated by 2030 and digital signatures by 2031. An Executive Order and OMB memo elevate PQC migration from guidance to binding obligations, underscoring its critical role in national cybersecurity. Federal agencies are now directed to integrate PQC into their cloud migration strategies and hardware refresh cycles, ensuring long-term data security against future quantum threats.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

The U.S. government has announced concrete, mandatory deadlines for the transition to post-quantum cryptography (PQC) across its federal systems. New directives, including an Executive Order and an Office of Management and Budget (OMB) memo, now obligate federal agencies to migrate high-value assets by 2030 and digital signatures by 2031, transforming PQC readiness from a recommendation into a legal requirement.

Technical / Clinical Details

These new government documents explicitly instruct federal agencies to integrate PQC algorithms into their ongoing cloud migration initiatives and hardware refresh cycles. PQC refers to cryptographic primitives designed to resist attacks by future quantum computers, which are expected to break current public-key cryptography standards like RSA and ECC. The adoption of NIST-selected PQC algorithms, such as CRYSTALS-Kyber for key encapsulation and CRYSTALS-Dilithium for digital signatures, will be central to this transition. The primary focus is to secure the most vulnerable parts of federal information infrastructure, thereby ensuring the long-term confidentiality and integrity of sensitive data.

Background & Context

While the transition to PQC has been a topic of discussion within the information security community and academia, the imposition of specific deadlines by the U.S. government significantly escalates its urgency. The threat of 'Y2Q' – the moment a quantum computer can break existing encryption – is anticipated to become a reality in the foreseeable future, making countermeasures imperative, especially for national security and critical infrastructure. This move is expected to serve as a strong signal, accelerating similar PQC migration plans among other nations and private sector entities globally.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

This federal mandate is projected to significantly bolster the growth and development of the PQC market. Vendors of cryptographic modules, security solution providers, and cloud service providers will need to accelerate their development of PQC-compliant products and services to meet federal requirements. The 2030 deadline is highly ambitious, considering the time and complexity involved in standardizing, implementing, testing, and deploying PQC solutions across vast and intricate federal systems. Agencies will require meticulous planning and substantial resource allocation. This push is expected to accelerate the maturation and widespread adoption of PQC technology, establishing a robust foundation for cybersecurity in the quantum era.

Source: https://www.openssl.org/blog/blog/2026/07/30/pqc-deadlines/

#07 Ciena, Toshiba Successfully Demonstrate 1.6 Tb/s Quantum-Safe Optical Encryption on Live Commercial Network

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OVERVIEW

Ciena, Toshiba, and Quantum Corridor have successfully completed a trial of 1.6 Tb/s quantum-safe optical encryption on a live commercial network. This test integrated NIST-certified post-quantum cryptography (PQC) with quantum key distribution (QKD) to protect data in transit, demonstrating that existing Ciena customers could adopt PQC through software upgrades. This breakthrough paves the way for advanced data security solutions in the quantum era, leveraging current infrastructure.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

Ciena, Toshiba, and Quantum Corridor have successfully concluded a trial demonstrating 1.6 Terabits per second (Tb/s) quantum-safe optical encryption on a live commercial network in the Midwest. This landmark achievement verifies the feasibility of high-speed data transmission combined with robust quantum-resilient security measures.

Technical / Clinical Details

The trial integrated two critical technologies: NIST-certified Post-Quantum Cryptography (PQC) algorithms and Quantum Key Distribution (QKD), which leverages quantum mechanics to generate and distribute unbreakable encryption keys. By combining Ciena's optical platforms with Toshiba's QKD systems, the project achieved secure and high-throughput data transfer over existing communication infrastructure. A particularly significant outcome is the demonstration that Ciena's current customers could potentially adopt PQC functionalities through software upgrades. This offers a cost-effective and rapid migration path to protect data against future quantum computer attacks without requiring extensive hardware overhauls.

Background & Context

The progression of quantum computing poses a significant threat to current public-key encryption systems, compelling governments and enterprises worldwide to accelerate their transition to quantum-resilient cryptographic technologies. Industries handling sensitive data, such as finance, healthcare, and defense, urgently require long-term data protection strategies. This trial, by demonstrating high-throughput quantum-safe encryption in a practical environment, provides a concrete solution for this transition and maximizes the utility of existing network assets.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

This successful trial represents a major step towards the commercial deployment of quantum-safe communication technologies. Integrated PQC and QKD solutions are expected to see accelerated adoption in sectors demanding high security, including government agencies, financial institutions, and inter-data center communications. Especially within the context of proliferating software-defined networks, implementing PQC using existing infrastructure offers substantial benefits in terms of cost-efficiency and deployment speed. The collaboration between Ciena and Toshiba is poised to contribute significantly to building the foundational infrastructure for the quantum internet, playing a crucial role in shaping the future of data security.

Source: https://www.fiercenetwork.com/wireless/ciena-toshiba-complete-quantum-networking-trial-live-midwest-network

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#08 Bose Institute Introduces Novel General Concurrence Percolation (GCP) Protocol for Efficient Quantum Network Connectivity

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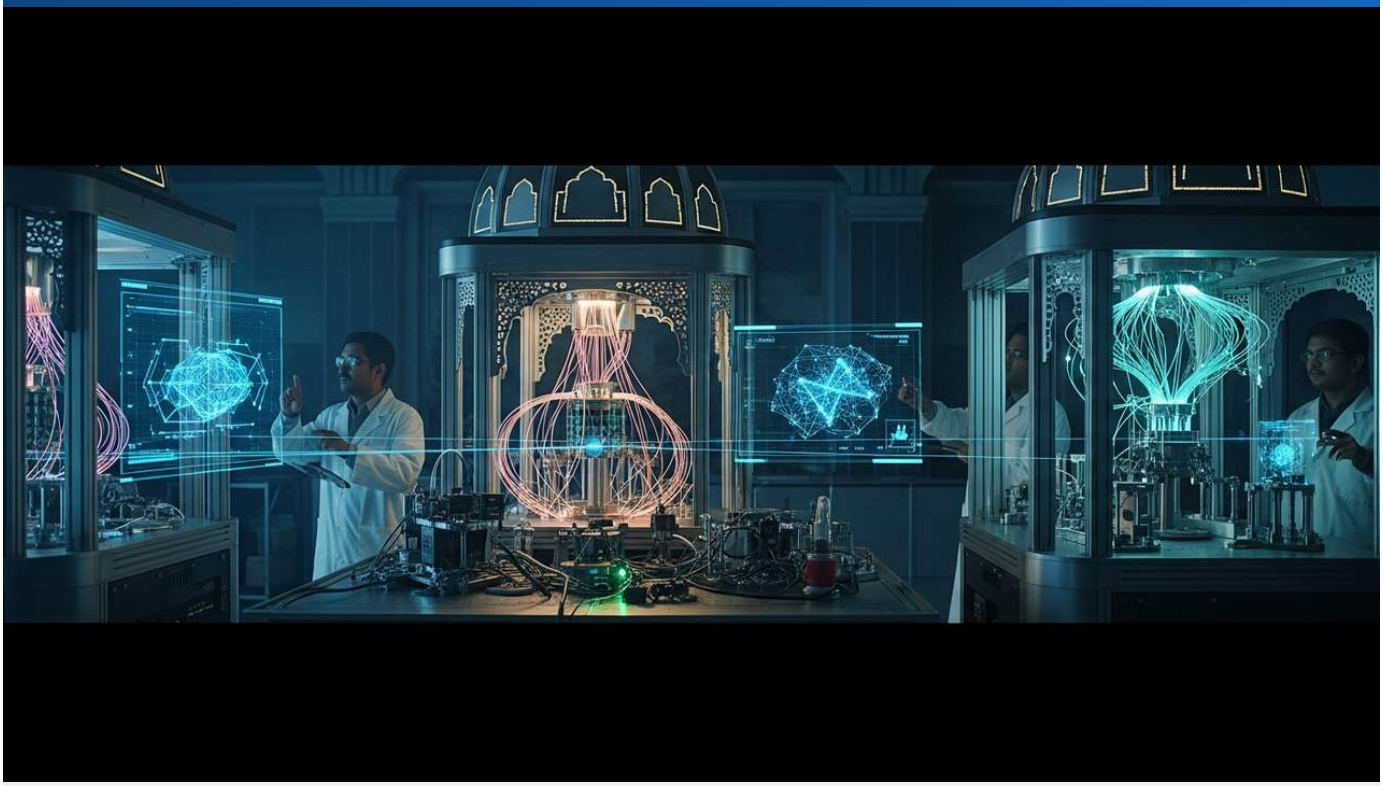

OVERVIEW

Scientists from the Bose Institute in India have introduced a novel General Concurrence Percolation (GCP) protocol for efficiently connecting quantum networks. This innovative geometric approach can significantly reduce entanglement requirements and enhance efficiency for long-distance quantum communication. GCP tackles the common challenge of disconnecting intermediate stations in existing methods by optimizing low-entanglement links, paving the way for more robust and scalable quantum internet architectures.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

Scientists at the Bose Institute in India have unveiled a groundbreaking new protocol, General Concurrence Percolation (GCP), designed to connect quantum networks more efficiently. This protocol promises to significantly reduce the entanglement resources required for long-distance quantum communication while substantially boosting overall network efficiency.

Technical / Clinical Details

The GCP protocol utilizes a novel geometrical approach to optimize quantum network topology, focusing on the efficient use of entangled links. A prevalent challenge in current quantum communication technologies is the fragility of quantum entanglement over long distances, often leading to disconnections at intermediate nodes. GCP addresses this by strategically leveraging low-entanglement links to maintain entangled connections and avoid intermediate station disconnections. This mechanism allows for the construction of more robust and scalable quantum networks with minimized entanglement resource requirements. The details of this innovative approach have been published in a research paper in 'Physical Review A.'

Background & Context

The development of a global quantum internet is a major focus of research and development efforts worldwide, representing the next generation of information and communication infrastructure. However, maintaining quantum entanglement over long distances and efficiently transmitting information across a network remains a significant technical hurdle. Quantum entanglement, being highly sensitive to environmental noise, often limits the scalability of quantum networks. New protocols like GCP are critical breakthroughs in overcoming these fundamental challenges, bringing the practical realization of a quantum internet closer.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

The development of the GCP protocol offers a new direction for the design and implementation of quantum internet architectures. Efficient entanglement management is indispensable for enhancing the scalability and reliability of quantum networks, and this technology could influence the future development of quantum routers and quantum repeaters. In the long term, GCP is expected to enable innovative applications across a broad range of sectors, including ultra-secure communication for financial transactions, high-resolution data transfer for telemedicine, and quantum-secure information sharing for defense systems. This research represents a significant contribution from India in advancing the frontiers of quantum technology.

Source: https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=2040003

#09 D-Wave Achieves Major Hardware Breakthrough in Quantum Error Correction with 99.9% Fidelity Two-Qubit Gate

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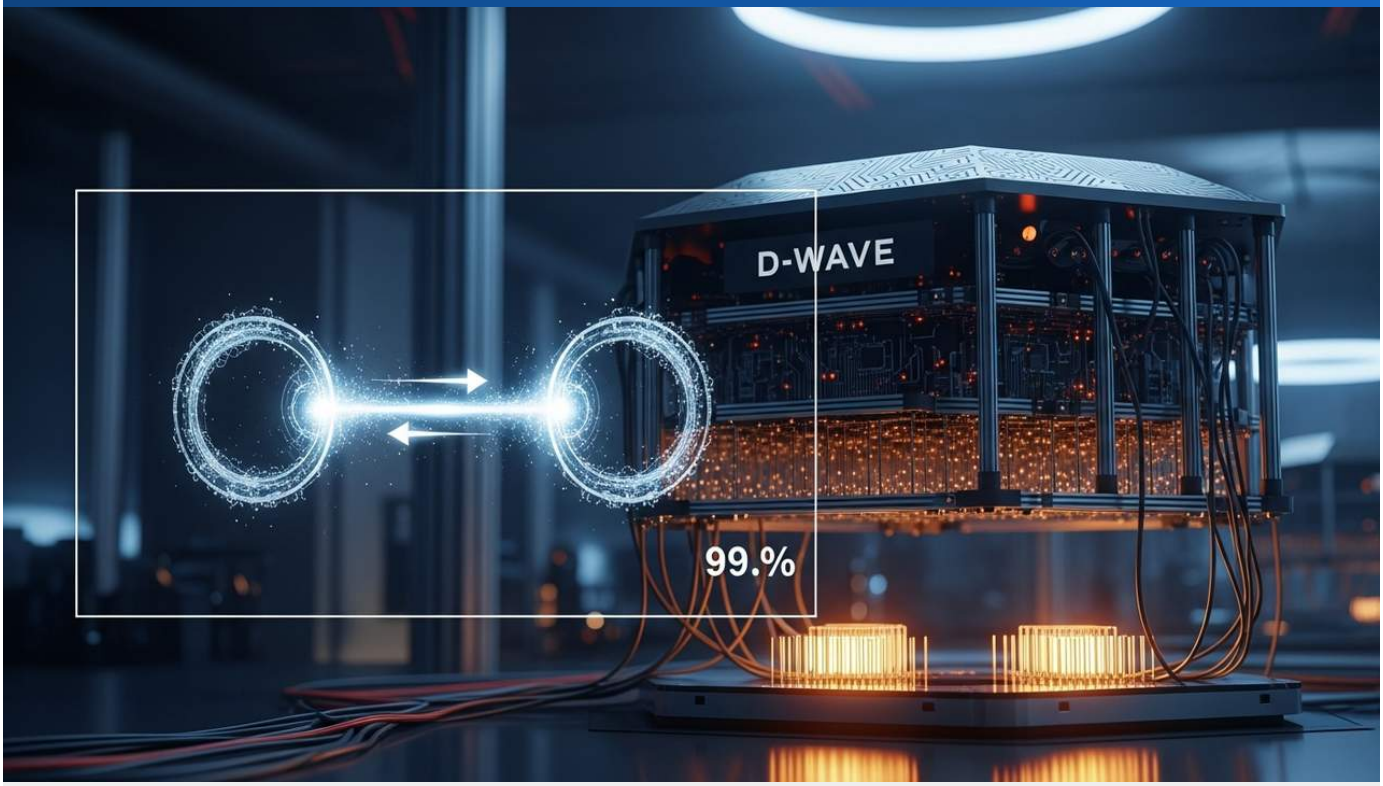

OVERVIEW

D-Wave has announced a major hardware breakthrough in quantum error correction for fault-tolerant gate-model quantum computing, demonstrating a fast, high-fidelity (approx. 99.9%) two-qubit entangling gate in its superconducting dual-rail qubit architecture. This research, published in Nature, shows D-Wave's technology can achieve efficient quantum error correction with significantly lower hardware overhead, supporting their roadmap for a 100-logical-qubit system by 2032. This advancement significantly improves the reliability of quantum computations and accelerates the path to practical quantum applications.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

D-Wave has announced a significant hardware breakthrough in quantum error correction, advancing the path toward practical, fault-tolerant gate-model quantum computing. This achievement involves the demonstration of a fast, high-fidelity (approximately 99.9%) two-qubit entangling gate within its superconducting dual-rail qubit architecture.

Technical / Clinical Details

The research, published in the journal Nature, highlights how D-Wave's dual-rail qubit architecture can achieve efficient quantum error correction with significantly reduced hardware overhead. Specifically, the two-qubit gate fidelity reached approximately 99.9%, with gate times reported at 500 nanoseconds. This dramatic reduction in the error rate during quantum computations is a critical component for realizing larger, more reliable quantum computers. This improvement is essential for increasing the computational reliability of quantum computers when solving complex problems, thereby paving the way for practical applications.

Background & Context

Effective quantum error correction is indispensable for the practical realization of quantum computers, primarily due to the inherent instability of qubits. However, error correction typically demands a large number of physical qubits and complex control mechanisms, which has been one of the biggest challenges in building fault-tolerant quantum computers. D-Wave's breakthrough offers a potential solution by demonstrating a way to reduce this hardware overhead, opening the door for constructing robust logical qubits with fewer physical resources. This advancement signifies a major stride in quantum computer design and manufacturing, potentially impacting the entire industry.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

This hardware breakthrough substantiates D-Wave's roadmap to build a 100-logical-qubit system by 2032. A 100-logical-qubit system is projected to be capable of performing over 1 million quantum operations, offering transformative solutions in fields such as chemistry, materials science, optimization, and finance. The realization of more efficient quantum error correction is expected to accelerate the commercial utilization of quantum computers and open new avenues in cutting-edge research like drug discovery, new material development, and artificial intelligence. While D-Wave has been a pioneer in annealing quantum computing, this achievement also strengthens its presence in gate-model quantum computer development.

Source: https://www.dwavequantum.com/press-releases/d-wave-demonstrates-major-hardware-breakthrough-for-quantum-error-correction-advancing-the-path-to-practical-fault-tolerant-gate-model-quantum-computing/

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#10 IonQ and EPB Partner to Launch Tennessee Quantum Communications Research Center, Operating World's First Commercial Quantum Memory

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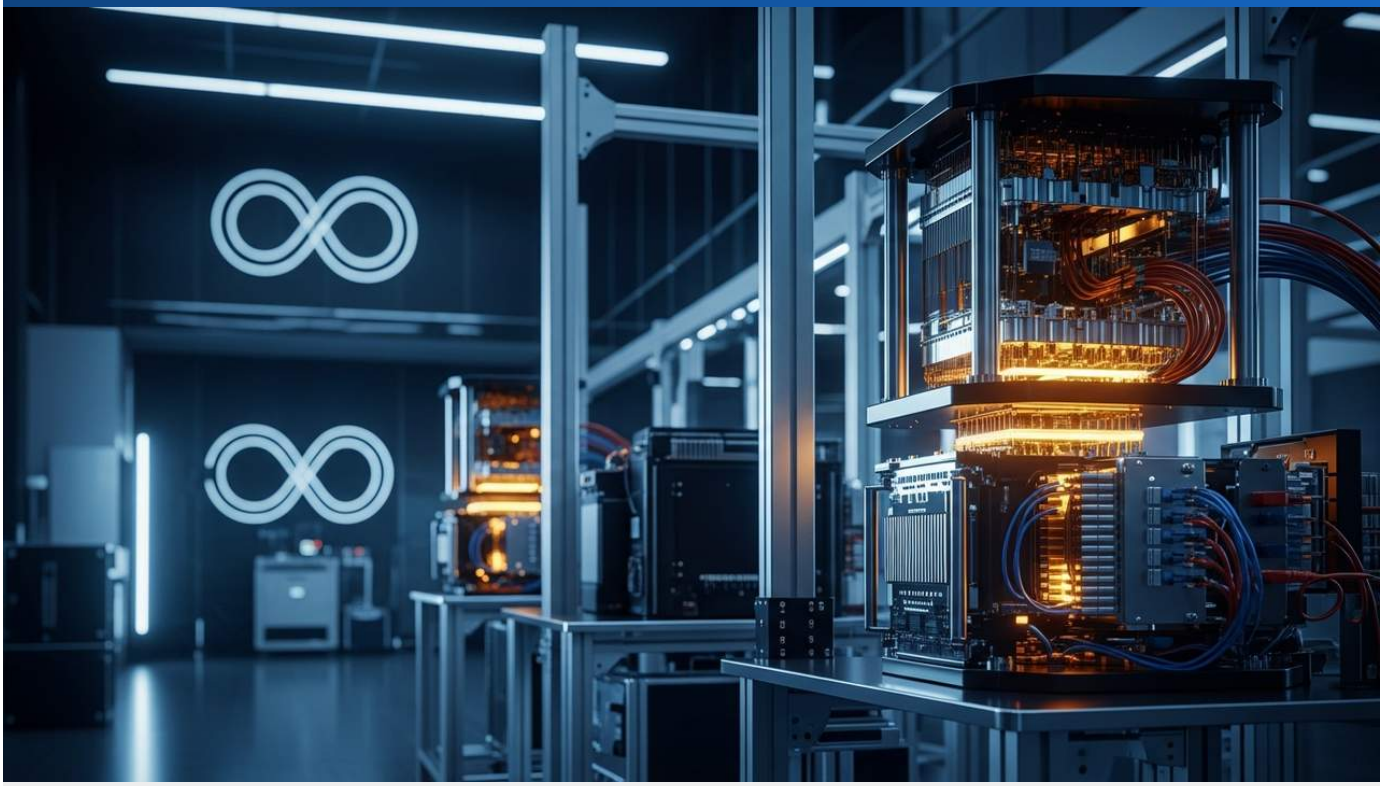

OVERVIEW

IonQ and EPB have announced the establishment of the Tennessee Quantum Communications Research Center, the first dedicated next-generation quantum communication R&D lab directly connected to a real-world network. This center will house the world's first commercial Quantum Memory embedded within an operational communications network, accelerating the commercialization of the Quantum Internet. This groundbreaking partnership aims to advance IonQ's integrated quantum solutions across computing, networking, sensing, and security.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

IonQ and EPB (Electric Power Board) have unveiled plans for the Tennessee Quantum Communications Research Center in Chattanooga, Tennessee. This center is set to become the first dedicated next-generation quantum communication R&D lab directly connected to a real-world operational network, and notably, will house and operate the world's first commercial Quantum Memory. This partnership is strategically aimed at significantly accelerating the commercialization of the Quantum Internet.

Technical / Clinical Details

The Tennessee Quantum Communications Research Center will focus on developing foundational technologies for the Quantum Internet, integrating quantum computing and quantum communication techniques. A key innovation is the deployment of a commercial quantum memory directly embedded within an operational communications network. Quantum memory is an indispensable component for long-distance quantum communication, capable of temporarily storing quantum bit information and amplifying/transferring quantum signals. The center will conduct cutting-edge research in areas such as quantum routing, Quantum Key Distribution (QKD), and distributed quantum computing, while also exploring applications in quantum sensing and quantum security.

Background & Context

The realization of a quantum internet holds the potential to overcome the security and processing speed limitations of the current internet, bringing about transformative societal changes. However, significant technical challenges remain, including qubit decoherence (loss of quantum state) and difficulties in long-distance transmission. While nations worldwide are pursuing quantum internet development, the IonQ-EPB partnership represents a groundbreaking advance in operating quantum memory within an actual network environment. EPB, which operates the high-speed fiber optic network 'EPB Fiber Optics,' provides an ideal testbed for this quantum communication research.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

The Tennessee Quantum Communications Research Center is a crucial step towards the commercialization of the quantum internet and is expected to foster the development of new quantum applications. Research outcomes from this center will provide essential insights for quantum network design, protocol development, and eventual large-scale deployment. In the future, innovative uses are anticipated across various industries, such as ultra-secure communication for financial transactions, interconnection between geographically distributed quantum computers, and the development of novel quantum sensing technologies. IonQ's vision is to deliver integrated quantum solutions spanning computing, networking, sensing, and security, and this center will be a core enabler of that vision.

Source: https://ionq.com/news/ionq-epb-partner-to-launch-tennessee-quantum-communications-research-center

#11 BlueQubit, Qedma, IBM, and RIKEN Collaborate to Achieve Quantum Advantage in Material Behavior Prediction on Error-Mitigated Quantum Processors

Published July 30, 2026 BlueQubit (via BusinessWire) USA

OVERVIEW

BlueQubit, Qedma, IBM, and RIKEN have jointly demonstrated "Quantum Advantage" in predicting complex material behaviors on error-mitigated quantum processors, where classical supercomputers failed. This landmark achievement, supported by rigorous and independent validation, proves quantum computers can accurately perform computations intractable for classical methods. It marks a pivotal moment, transforming quantum computing into an active commercial R&D tool for new material discovery.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

BlueQubit, Qedma, IBM, and Japan's RIKEN have collaboratively announced the establishment of "Quantum Advantage" in predicting complex material behaviors, utilizing error-mitigated quantum processors. This pioneering achievement distinctly demonstrates the capability of quantum computers to accurately process problems that classical supercomputers have struggled to solve.

Technical / Clinical Details

The research focused on quantum chemistry simulations, specifically targeting the prediction of molecular properties and interactions of heterogeneous materials. Error mitigation techniques were crucial for enhancing the accuracy of quantum computations on current noisy intermediate-scale quantum (NISQ) devices. The team executed simulations on quantum processors, demonstrating that the results surpassed the limitations of classical supercomputer simulations and theoretical calculations. The credibility of this finding is further underpinned by rigorous scientific validation processes and independent third-party verification, underscoring quantum computers' superior capability in specific scientific computations compared to classical methods.

Background & Context

In materials science, the discovery of new materials and the improvement of existing ones are vital for advancements across diverse industries, including energy, electronics, and medicine. However, simulations predicting complex behaviors at atomic and molecular levels have faced inherent limitations with classical computers due to their immense computational demands. The achievement of "Quantum Advantage" signifies overcoming this barrier, suggesting that quantum computers hold the potential to dramatically accelerate the new material development process. This progression implies that for industries such as chemical, pharmaceutical, and materials manufacturing, quantum computing is transitioning from a mere subject of research to a tangible R&D tool.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

This demonstration of quantum advantage represents a groundbreaking instance where quantum computing has proven its worth as a commercial research and development tool. Moving forward, BlueQubit, Qedma, IBM, and RIKEN are expected to further develop this technology and apply it to a broader range of materials and molecular systems. This could accelerate the development of energy-efficient catalysts, high-performance battery materials, and innovative pharmaceuticals. Moreover, this achievement will likely catalyze the creation of specific use cases in other fields where quantum computers can outperform classical computational methods. As the scope of problems solvable by quantum computers expands, expectations for their societal implementation are set to rise significantly.

Source: https://www.businesswire.com/news/home/20260730872274/en/BlueQubit-Joins-Qedma-IBM-and-RIKEN-in-a-Landmark-Quantum-Advantage-Result

#12 IBM & Algorithmiq Pioneer Framework for Trusted Quantum Advantage in Classically Unverifiable Computations, Simulating Heterogeneous Quantum Materials

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OVERVIEW

IBM and Algorithmiq have jointly demonstrated quantum advantage through the simulation of a heterogeneous quantum material, introducing a new framework to establish trust in quantum computations where classical verification is unavailable. Eight months after its debut on the Quantum Advantage Tracker, no classical method has reliably reproduced the results across the full problem regime, unequivocally showing that quantum computers can provide trusted and efficient solutions beyond classical reach.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

IBM and Algorithmiq have jointly constructed an innovative framework for establishing trust in quantum computations where classical verification is unavailable, while simultaneously demonstrating quantum advantage in the simulation of heterogeneous quantum materials. This achievement signifies that quantum computers can perform complex calculations reliably, even those deemed intractable for classical machines.

Technical / Clinical Details

The research primarily focused on simulating the behavior of complex heterogeneous quantum materials. This area, involving many-body problems and strongly correlated electron systems, presents immense challenges for classical computers due to the exponential increase in computational resources required for accurate predictions. IBM and Algorithmiq executed these simulations on a quantum processor, with the results publicly posted on the Quantum Advantage Tracker. A critical point is that, even after eight months since its initial publication, no classical simulation method has reliably reproduced the results across the entire problem regime investigated in this study. This fact clearly indicates that quantum computers already possess superior capabilities over classical methods for specific types of scientific computations, paving the way for new discoveries in physics, materials science, and chemistry.

Background & Context

Achieving 'quantum advantage' signifies the point where a quantum computer can solve a computational problem that is practically impossible for classical computers. While many previous demonstrations of quantum advantage focused on relatively simple problems or those verifiable within classical limits, this achievement is groundbreaking for demonstrating quantum computer superiority even in complex problems where classical verification is challenging. This new framework provides a fundamental basis for ensuring the trustworthiness of quantum computation results, marking a crucial step toward its practical application.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

This new framework and the demonstration of quantum advantage significantly broaden the possibilities for research and development in fields such as materials science and drug discovery. It is anticipated that quantum computers, by enabling the exploration of complex quantum material properties and the design of novel molecular structures previously inaccessible to classical methods, will accelerate groundbreaking discoveries. Furthermore, the ability of quantum computers to provide reliable solutions for problems difficult to verify classically will have a profound impact on other applied fields, including quantum artificial intelligence and quantum financial modeling. This research underscores quantum computers' evolving role as powerful tools driving scientific advancement.

Source: https://newsroom.ibm.com/2026-07-30-IBM-and-Algorithmiq-Demonstrate-Quantum-Advantage-Establishing-a-Framework-for-Trusted-Quantum-Computation-Beyond-Classical-Verification

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#13 Quemix to Accelerate Battery Material Development Using Quantum Computers After NEDO Subsidy Adoption

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OVERVIEW

Quemix Co., Ltd. has secured a significant grant from Japan's NEDO, earmarking quantum computing for accelerated development of next-generation battery materials. This initiative, part of a broader national strategy to advance quantum technology, aims to create higher-performance and safer batteries by leveraging the computational power of quantum computers for complex material simulations. The project underscores a critical step towards the practical industrial application of quantum technology in addressing pressing societal challenges.

IN DEPTH

Background

Battery technology is a cornerstone for achieving a decarbonized society and driving advancements in sustainable mobility. Yet, the traditional paradigm for materials development remains largely empirical, characterized by resource-intensive trial-and-error processes that lead to protracted timelines and elevated costs. Quantum computers present a transformative alternative, offering the capability to accurately simulate complex molecular-level interactions, thereby promising a paradigm shift in materials science. NEDO's subsidy initiatives are strategically designed to bolster Japan's industrial competitiveness and address pressing societal challenges. Quemix's selection under this program underscores a pivotal moment, signaling quantum technology's transition from theoretical potential to tangible industrial application.

Key Findings

Quemix Co., Ltd. has announced its selection for a prestigious subsidy program by Japan's New Energy and Industrial Technology Development Organization (NEDO). This initiative, part of the "Research and Development Project for Strengthening Post-5G Information and Communication System Infrastructure," specifically tasks Quemix with accelerating next-generation battery material development through quantum computing, aligning with the broader theme of "Acceleration of Quantum Computer Next-Generation Machine Development and Demonstration for Solving Social Issues."

Technical Details

Quemix's specific project under the NEDO program falls within the "Large-Scale Demonstration for Creating Use Cases" category, emphasizing the rapid development and validation of next-generation quantum computing solutions for societal impact. The company intends to harness the unparalleled computational power of quantum computers to conduct high-speed, high-fidelity simulations of battery material molecular structures and their electrochemical properties. This methodology is projected to drastically reduce the development lifecycle for advanced, safer, and higher-performance batteries. Technical efforts are expected to encompass materials design underpinned by quantum chemical calculations and the exploration of optimal material compositions through quantum optimization techniques, such as quantum annealing. This pioneering work holds the potential to unlock crucial innovations for battery technologies vital for electric vehicles (EVs) and large-scale renewable energy storage systems.

Strategic Significance and Outlook

The NEDO subsidy adoption provides Quemix with a robust platform to significantly accelerate its research and development efforts in quantum computer-assisted battery material discovery. Moving forward, the innovations and expertise cultivated through this project are anticipated to catalyze widespread disruption across the entire battery industry, positioning Japan with a decisive competitive edge in the global quest for advanced battery technologies. Moreover, this concrete demonstration of quantum computing's utility in materials science is poised to fast-track its broader adoption across diverse industrial sectors. Ultimately, this initiative represents a substantial contribution to the maturation and expansion of Japan's nascent quantum technology ecosystem.

Source: https://response.jp/article/2026/07/31/394142.html

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#14 NSF Awards $18 Million Grant to UC San Diego for New Quantum Materials Research Center

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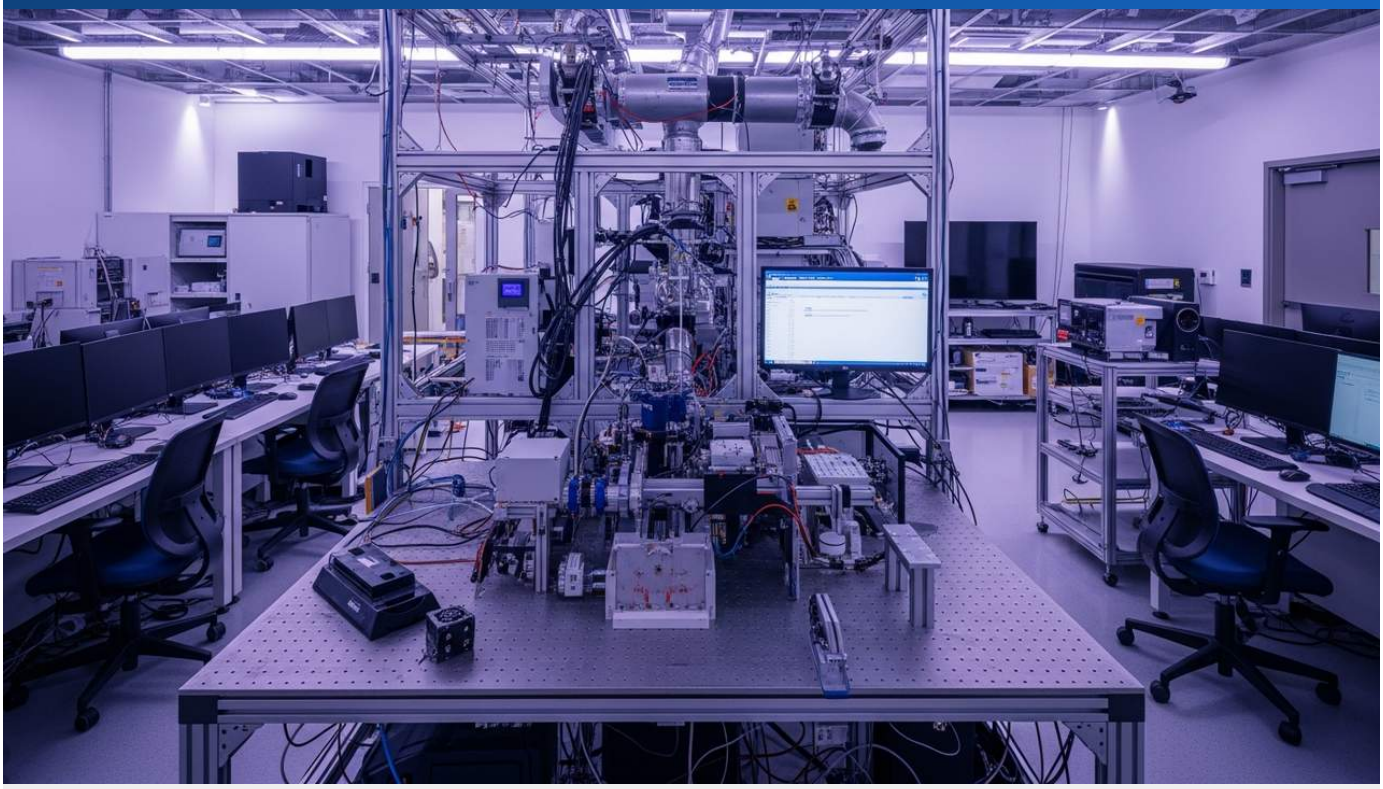

OVERVIEW

The U.S. National Science Foundation (NSF) has awarded UC San Diego researchers an $18 million grant to establish a Materials Research Science and Engineering Center (MRSEC) for developing new quantum materials. This center will accelerate the development of quantum materials crucial for national priorities, including low-power computing, data encryption, secure communications, and high-performance electronics. This investment is expected to strengthen the foundation for next-generation technologies.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

The U.S. National Science Foundation (NSF) has awarded an $18 million grant to a research team at the University of California San Diego (UC San Diego) to establish a new Materials Research Science and Engineering Center (MRSEC). This center will be dedicated to the advanced research and development of quantum materials, serving as a critical foundation for next-generation technological innovation.

Technical / Clinical Details

The newly established MRSEC will focus on the synthesis, characterization, and theoretical modeling of novel quantum materials. Researchers will explore substances exhibiting exotic quantum states, such as superconductors, topological materials, and quantum dots, and develop methods to control their quantum properties. These materials are indispensable for the quantum bits that form the basis of quantum computers, ultra-secure quantum communication systems, energy-efficient low-power computing devices, and innovative applications in medical diagnostics and sensing. The MRSEC will adopt an interdisciplinary approach, fostering collaboration among experts in physics, chemistry, materials science, and engineering to advance research from fundamental to applied levels.

Background & Context

Quantum materials, with their unique physical properties, enable the realization of devices with capabilities unattainable by conventional materials. As countries worldwide engage in a fierce competition to develop quantum technologies, the U.S. government is intensifying its investments in quantum science and technology as a national priority. The NSF's MRSEC program aims to advance the frontiers of materials science, contributing to economic competitiveness and national security. This significant grant to UC San Diego underscores the importance of materials development within the U.S. quantum technology roadmap and is expected to accelerate future quantum innovation.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

The MRSEC established at UC San Diego is expected to bolster U.S. leadership in quantum materials research and foster numerous groundbreaking discoveries. The new quantum materials developed will not only enhance the performance of future quantum computing hardware but also hold broad application potential in data security, precision medicine, and advanced sensing technologies. Furthermore, this center will serve as a vital educational hub for training the next generation of quantum scientists and engineers, contributing to the growth of the overall U.S. quantum ecosystem. The $18 million investment is anticipated to have long-term impacts, bridging the gap from fundamental research to practical implementation.

Source: https://ucsdnews.ucsd.edu/pressrelease/nsf-funds-major-center-at-uc-san-diego-to-make-new-quantum-materials

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#15 US and France Announce Multi-Billion Dollar Quantum Strategy Investments, Intensifying Global Race

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OVERVIEW

Following significant US Commerce Department quantum investment, French President Emmanuel Macron announced an additional €1 billion for France's national quantum strategy (2026–2030). This highlights intensifying global competition beyond the US and China, with Europe asserting its strategic position in quantum technology. These substantial governmental capital injections underscore quantum's critical importance in national strategic races.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

Amidst a major quantum technology investment program led by the U.S. Department of Commerce, French President Emmanuel Macron announced an additional €1 billion (approximately $1.1 billion USD) allocation to France's national quantum strategy for the period spanning 2026 to 2030. This declaration distinctly positions Europe as a key player alongside the escalating competition between the United States and China, emphasizing quantum technology's critical role in national strategic races.

Technical / Clinical Details

The U.S. quantum investment program, under the CHIPS and Science Act, aims to fund federal research and development in semiconductor manufacturing and quantum technologies. Concurrently, France's national quantum strategy supports R&D, innovation, and talent development across three primary areas: quantum computing, quantum communication, and quantum sensing. The additional €1 billion investment is designed to bolster France's domestic quantum ecosystem, fostering collaboration among academic institutions, startups, and large corporations to drive quantum technological breakthroughs. This initiative is expected to accelerate the transition from fundamental research to industrial applications, thereby enhancing Europe's overall technological autonomy and competitiveness.

Background & Context

Quantum technology is recognized as one of the 21st century's most critical frontier technologies from the perspectives of national security, economic advantage, and scientific discovery. The U.S., China, and Europe are all investing billions to establish leadership in this field. The development of post-quantum cryptography and the realization of universal quantum computers, in particular, hold the potential to fundamentally transform the security of current information infrastructure, making them urgent priorities for national governments. France's additional investment is seen as part of a broader strategy to strengthen Europe's presence in global quantum technology development, in conjunction with the European Union's comprehensive Quantum Flagship program.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

These substantial investments by the U.S. and France are expected to further intensify the global quantum technology development race. Companies and research institutions will leverage government funding to focus on developing more advanced quantum computers, secure quantum communication networks, and high-precision quantum sensing devices. This investment is particularly poised to stimulate the growth of quantum technology startups and could lead to significant job creation. Furthermore, national support will influence technology standardization and supply chain establishment, further accelerating the societal implementation of quantum technologies. Quantum technology is expected to continue drawing international attention as a strategic technology intertwined with geopolitical risks.

Source: https://www.wisdomtree.com/blog/2026-08-03/the-us-government-became-a-quantum-investor-should-you

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#16 Quantum Drug Discovery Market Booming Globally as Multi-Layer Ecosystem Evolves

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OVERVIEW

This article provides an overview of a market research report published by openPR.com, highlighting the global Quantum Drug Discovery Market's evolution into a multi-layer ecosystem. Hardware providers are advancing quantum architectures, while software companies are developing quantum chemistry algorithms and error mitigation frameworks. Quantum computing is enhancing molecular understanding beyond classical limitations, accelerating breakthroughs in pharmaceutical research and addressing computationally inaccessible biological interactions.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

This article provides an overview of a market research report published by openPR.com.

Report Overview

This report offers a comprehensive analysis of the current status and future outlook of the global Quantum Drug Discovery Market. The target market encompasses the entire drug discovery process leveraging quantum computing technologies, including early-stage molecular screening, drug design, optimization, and preclinical simulation. The research covers global regions, delving into market trends across major geographical segments such as North America, Europe, Asia Pacific, Latin America, and the Middle East & Africa. The study period includes historical data and future forecasts, identifying market drivers, restraints, opportunities, and challenges.

Key Findings

The report emphasizes the rapid expansion of the global Quantum Drug Discovery Market, driven by innovations in both hardware and software. Specifically, hardware providers are advancing new quantum architectures characterized by an increase in qubit count and enhanced stability. Concurrently, software companies are focusing on developing sophisticated quantum algorithms for efficient quantum chemical calculations, particularly advanced error mitigation frameworks. These technological advancements enable quantum computing to deepen the understanding of complex molecular structures and biological interactions that were previously intractable with classical computational methods. This, in turn, accelerates the identification of new drug candidates, prediction of drug-target interactions, and the advancement of personalized medicine.

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#17 NIST Demonstrates Quantum Entanglement Survival Over 38.5 Miles of Ordinary Internet Cable with 92.8% Success Rate

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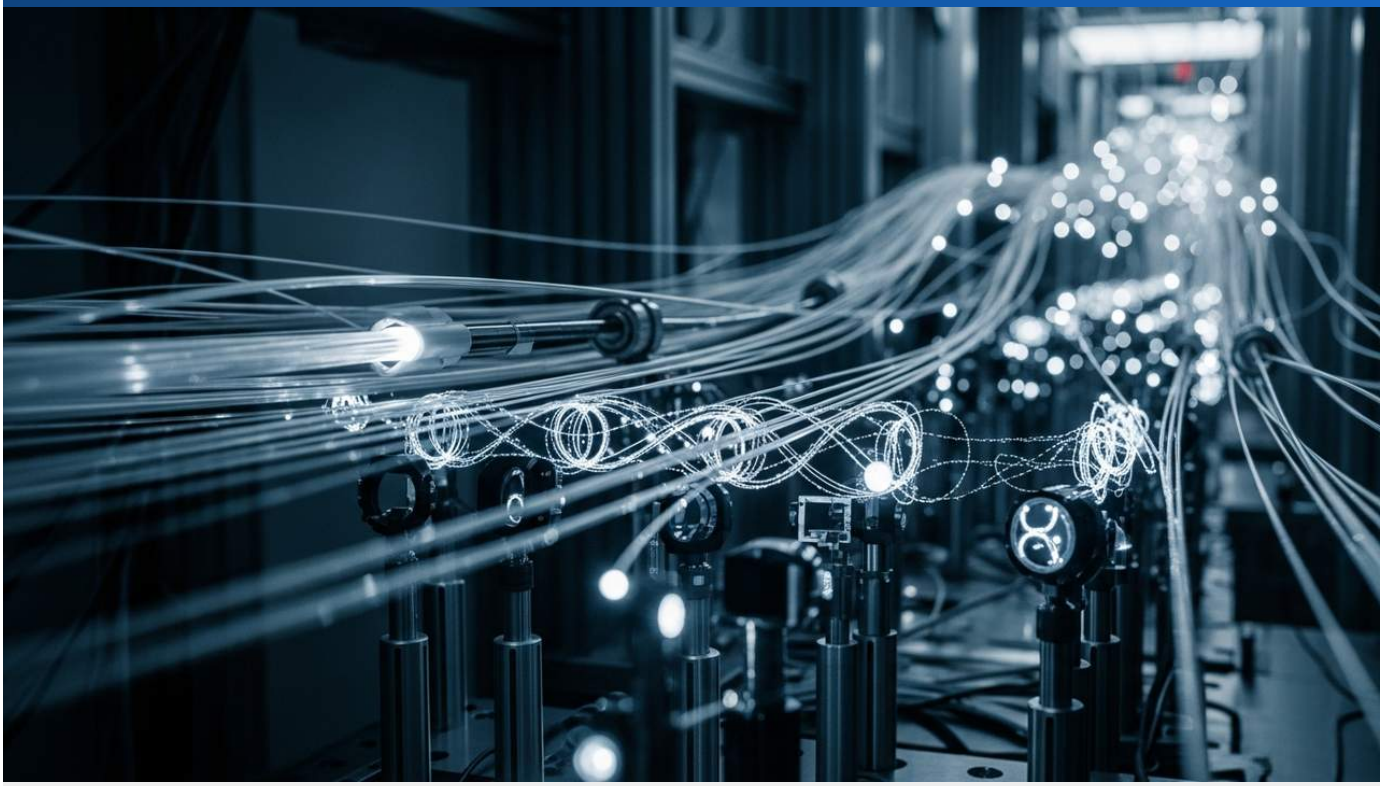

OVERVIEW

The U.S. National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) successfully demonstrated that quantum entanglement can survive over 38.5 miles of ordinary unshielded aerial fiber with a 92.8% delivery success rate, sending 1,500 linked photon pairs per second. This experiment, involving "spooky" particles transiting DC suburbs, marks a significant step toward developing a practical quantum network by leveraging existing infrastructure. This breakthrough reduces barriers to widespread quantum communication.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

Researchers at the U.S. National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) have remarkably demonstrated that pairs of quantum-entangled photons can be transmitted over 38.5 miles (approximately 62 km) of ordinary, unshielded aerial fiber optic cable with an exceptionally high delivery success rate of 92.8%. This groundbreaking achievement represents a significant leap forward in the construction of practical quantum networks.

Technical / Clinical Details

The experiment was conducted using existing fiber optic infrastructure laid across the suburbs of Washington D.C. The research team generated 1,500 "spooky" entangled photon pairs per second and transmitted them through the long aerial fiber optic cable. Crucially, this cable was similar to those used for general internet communication, negating the need for special shielding or cooling systems to protect the delicate nature of quantum information. The high success rate of 92.8% clearly indicates that quantum entanglement can be maintained relatively robustly even under real-world environmental conditions, enabling long-distance transmission. This implies that 'spooky action at a distance' in quantum information science is transitioning from a scientific marvel to an engineering application.

Background & Context

The construction of a quantum internet is a global research priority, aimed at building the next generation of information and communication infrastructure. However, quantum entanglement, which is at the heart of qubits, is extremely delicate and easily destroyed by environmental noise or losses within optical fibers during long-distance transmission. Consequently, most previous demonstrations of long-distance quantum communication have required specialized low-loss optical fibers or strictly controlled protective environments. NIST's latest achievement suggests the potential to utilize existing commercial fiber optic infrastructure for quantum networks without extensive modifications, which could dramatically reduce the cost and complexity of deploying a quantum internet.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

This demonstration by NIST is a critical step towards the commercialization and large-scale deployment of quantum network technologies. The ability to maintain quantum entanglement over ordinary internet cables lowers infrastructure construction barriers for the quantum internet, potentially enabling faster implementation. In the future, this technology is expected to be applied to build fully secure Quantum Key Distribution (QKD) networks, interconnect geographically distributed quantum computers, and realize ultra-high-precision quantum sensing. This research will serve as a pivotal milestone in the transition of quantum technology from the laboratory to real-world applications.

Source: https://shashi.co/nist-proves-quantum-entanglement-survives-on-ordinary-internet-cable/

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#18 Nord Quantique Reduces Bosonic Qubit SPAM Errors to Below 0.1%, Marking 100-Fold Improvement Towards Fault-Tolerant Quantum Computing

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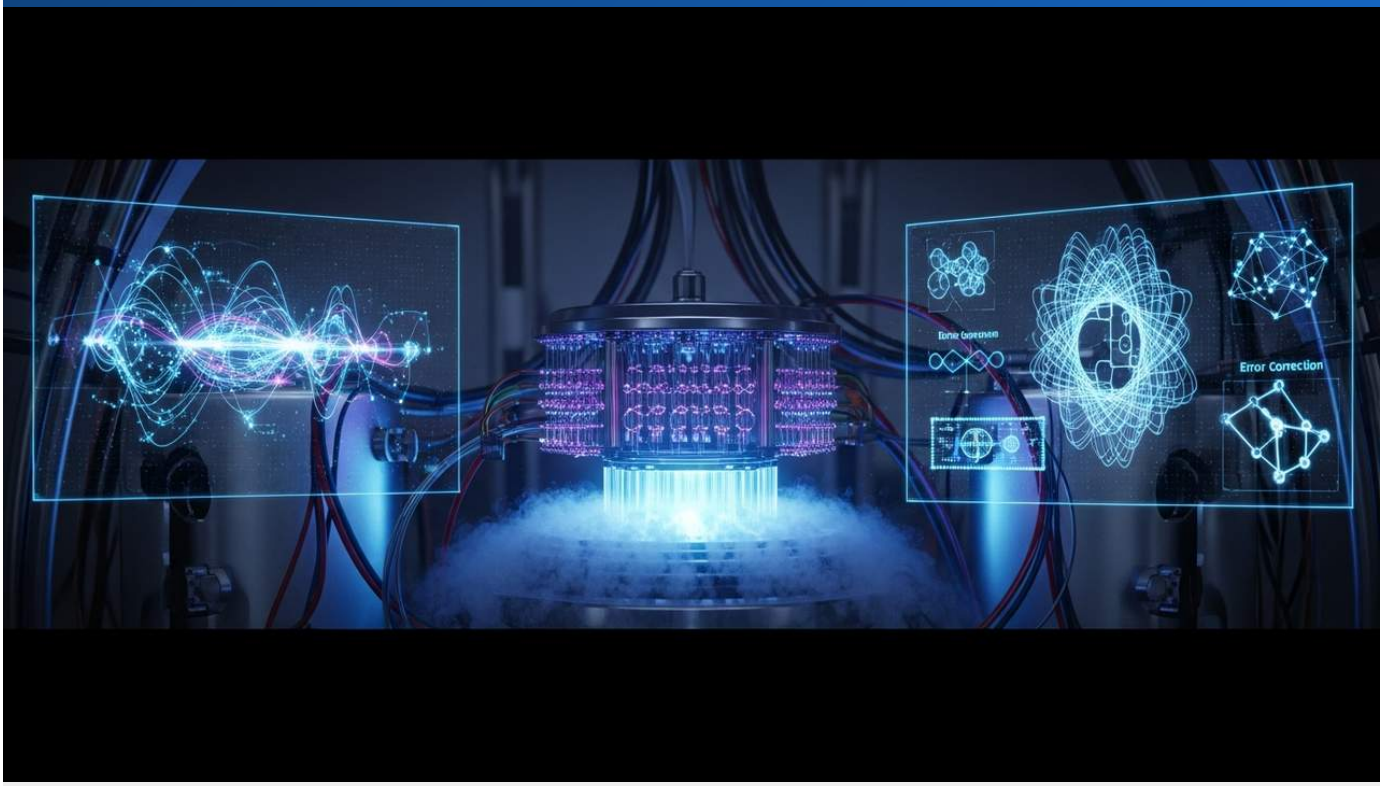

OVERVIEW

Nord Quantique demonstrated a combined state preparation and measurement (SPAM) error below 0.1% for their bosonic grid-state qubits, a 100-fold improvement over previous results in comparable GKP-based systems. This achievement, integrating state preparation, measurement, and quantum error correction, is a significant step towards practical fault-tolerant quantum computing by dramatically reducing hardware overhead. This advance enhances quantum computation reliability and paves the way for complex problem-solving in various sectors.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

Nord Quantique has announced a significant achievement in its bosonic grid-state qubits: a reduction in the combined State Preparation and Measurement (SPAM) error rate to below 0.1%. This represents a 100-fold improvement over previous records in comparable Gottesman-Kitaev-Preskill (GKP)-based systems, marking a crucial step towards the realization of fault-tolerant quantum computing.

Technical / Clinical Details

SPAM errors encompass all errors occurring during the initialization, manipulation, and measurement phases of qubits, critically impacting the reliability of quantum computations. Nord Quantique achieved this dramatic reduction by highly integrating the mechanisms of state preparation, measurement, and quantum error correction. Bosonic grid-state qubits, which encode quantum information using superconducting circuits or photons, are well-suited for quantum error correction codes like the GKP code. This technical achievement holds the potential to significantly reduce the physical resources (hardware overhead) required per qubit, which is extremely important for lowering the cost and complexity of building future fault-tolerant quantum computers that may require millions of physical qubits.

Background & Context

One of the greatest obstacles to the practical application of quantum computers is the inherent fragility of qubits, making them highly susceptible to environmental noise and leading to frequent errors during computation. Effective "quantum error correction" is essential to mitigate these errors but typically demands an immense number of physical qubits, severely limiting system scalability. Nord Quantique's success in reducing SPAM errors offers a promising solution to this scalability challenge, suggesting that high-fidelity quantum gate operations and efficient error correction are bringing practical quantum computers closer to reality.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

This breakthrough in reducing SPAM errors to below 0.1% will significantly accelerate the development of fault-tolerant quantum computers. It will enhance the reliability of executing quantum algorithms, opening doors to solving complex problems previously intractable in fields such as materials science, drug discovery, financial modeling, and artificial intelligence. Nord Quantique's technology has the potential to revolutionize quantum hardware design and manufacturing processes by enabling the construction of robust logical qubits with fewer physical qubits. This advancement will be a crucial milestone in the transition of quantum technology from laboratory-level experiments to commercial practical applications.

Source: https://nordquantique.ca/news/spam-errors-reduced-to-below-0-1-a-major-step-toward-fault-tolerant-quantum-computing/

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#19 TOPPAN Develops "PQC CARD Dual," World's First Dual-Interface Smart Card Featuring NIST-Standardized Post-Quantum Cryptography

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OVERVIEW

TOPPAN has developed "PQC CARD Dual," the world's first dual-interface smart card featuring NIST-standardized Post-Quantum Cryptography (PQC) algorithms (ML-KEM and ML-DSA). Leveraging proprietary memory-saving technology, this card enables a smooth transition from conventional cryptography to PQC in public services and medical authentication by fiscal 2027, supporting existing infrastructure. This marks a concrete step towards securing information against future quantum computer threats.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

TOPPAN Inc. has announced the development of "PQC CARD Dual," the world's first dual-interface smart card equipped with NIST (National Institute of Standards and Technology)-standardized Post-Quantum Cryptography (PQC) algorithms, specifically ML-KEM and ML-DSA. This groundbreaking product offers a practical solution to prepare for the threats posed by future quantum computers.

Technical / Clinical Details

The "PQC CARD Dual" successfully implements NIST-standardized PQC algorithms within the limited memory capacity of a smart card, while supporting both contact and contactless interfaces. This was achieved through TOPPAN's proprietary memory-saving technology. ML-KEM (Key Encapsulation Mechanism) is used for key establishment, and ML-DSA (Digital Signature Algorithm) is used for digital signatures, ensuring secure authentication and data protection even after card issuance. TOPPAN aims to support a smooth transition from conventional cryptographic methods to PQC in public services, medical authentication, and corporate authentication by fiscal year 2027. By enabling PQC compatibility while utilizing existing IC card readers and systems, the solution helps suppress large-scale infrastructure investments and reduces adoption barriers.

Background & Context

The advancement of quantum computers poses a potential threat to current public-key cryptographic systems (such as RSA and ECC), capable of breaking them in seconds. This raises concerns about the advent of a "Quantum Era" where sensitive information worldwide could be compromised. To address this, NIST has been standardizing PQC algorithms, and governments and enterprises globally are accelerating their preparations for PQC migration. Smart cards are foundational authentication and security devices used in all aspects of society, including e-passports, driver's licenses, health insurance cards, and bank cards, making their PQC compatibility an urgent necessity. TOPPAN's "PQC CARD Dual" is a concrete product solution to this challenge, positioning it as a leading development in the industry.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

The development of "PQC CARD Dual" represents a critical step towards building quantum-resilient social infrastructure. The target for practical implementation by fiscal year 2027 will encourage early adoption of PQC technology, helping government agencies and private enterprises reduce their period of vulnerability to quantum threats. In the future, this smart card technology is expected to be utilized in a wide range of applications, including enhancing financial transaction security, strengthening personal information protection, and ensuring overall supply chain security. TOPPAN plans to further develop quantum security solutions based on this technology, establishing its position as a key player in the international PQC migration effort.

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#20 DigiCert Releases Second Edition of 'Post-Quantum Cryptography For Dummies' to Meet Growing Quantum Readiness Demands

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OVERVIEW

DigiCert has released the Second Edition of "Post-Quantum Cryptography For Dummies," providing updated guidance for organizations preparing for the accelerating shift towards quantum-safe cryptography. The edition emphasizes the business imperative of quantum readiness, crypto-agility, and implementing NIST-standardized PQC. This resource aims to support organizations in effectively transitioning to the quantum era amidst evolving threats and digital infrastructure demands.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

DigiCert has released the second edition of "Post-Quantum Cryptography For Dummies," offering updated guidance for organizations navigating the urgent demands of post-quantum cryptography (PQC) migration. This revised edition underscores that preparing for PQC is not merely a technical challenge but a critical business imperative.

Technical / Clinical Details

The second edition provides detailed guidance on the specific steps organizations should take as the progress in quantum computing increasingly threatens existing public-key cryptographic systems. The content begins with a fundamental understanding of the quantum threat, focuses on methods for implementing NIST (National Institute of Standards and Technology)-standardized PQC algorithms, and emphasizes the importance of "crypto-agility" – the ability to quickly and flexibly swap cryptographic systems. Practical migration strategies are included, such as implementing hybrid cryptography, updating certificate management systems, and assessing risks in legacy systems. This allows businesses and government agencies to build a robust framework for protecting data from current and future quantum threats.

Background & Context

The evolution of quantum computing foreshadows an era known as "Y2Q" (Quantum Computing Year), which will bring about significant changes in the world of cybersecurity. Much of the current digital infrastructure relies on public-key cryptography that could be easily broken by quantum computers. Consequently, governments and regulatory bodies worldwide have identified PQC migration as an urgent priority, with the U.S. government having already set concrete migration deadlines. In this context, major Certificate Authority (CA) providers like DigiCert playing a crucial role by updating and providing educational resources on PQC are indispensable for enhancing overall quantum readiness in the industry.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

The release of "Post-Quantum Cryptography For Dummies" second edition will significantly influence the acceleration of the PQC migration process, helping more organizations prepare for a quantum-safe future. In particular, the report's emphasis on "crypto-agility" is a key concept for rapidly responding to future changes in cryptographic standards and the emergence of new threats. This demands that organizations not only comply with current PQC standards but also enhance the flexibility of their cryptographic infrastructure as a long-term security strategy. DigiCert's efforts will contribute to promoting the adoption and practical implementation of PQC technology, thereby strengthening the cyber resilience of the entire digital society.

Source: https://www.globenewswire.com/news-release/2026/07/30/3283250/0/en/DigiCert-Releases-Second-Edition-of-Post-Quantum-Cryptography-For-Dummies-Amid-Growing-Quantum-Readiness-Demands.html

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#21 QuEra Unveils Roadmap for Fault-Tolerant Quantum Computing: 256-Logical-Qubit 'Megaquop' by 2028, 1,000+ Logical-Qubit 'Gigaquop' by 2029

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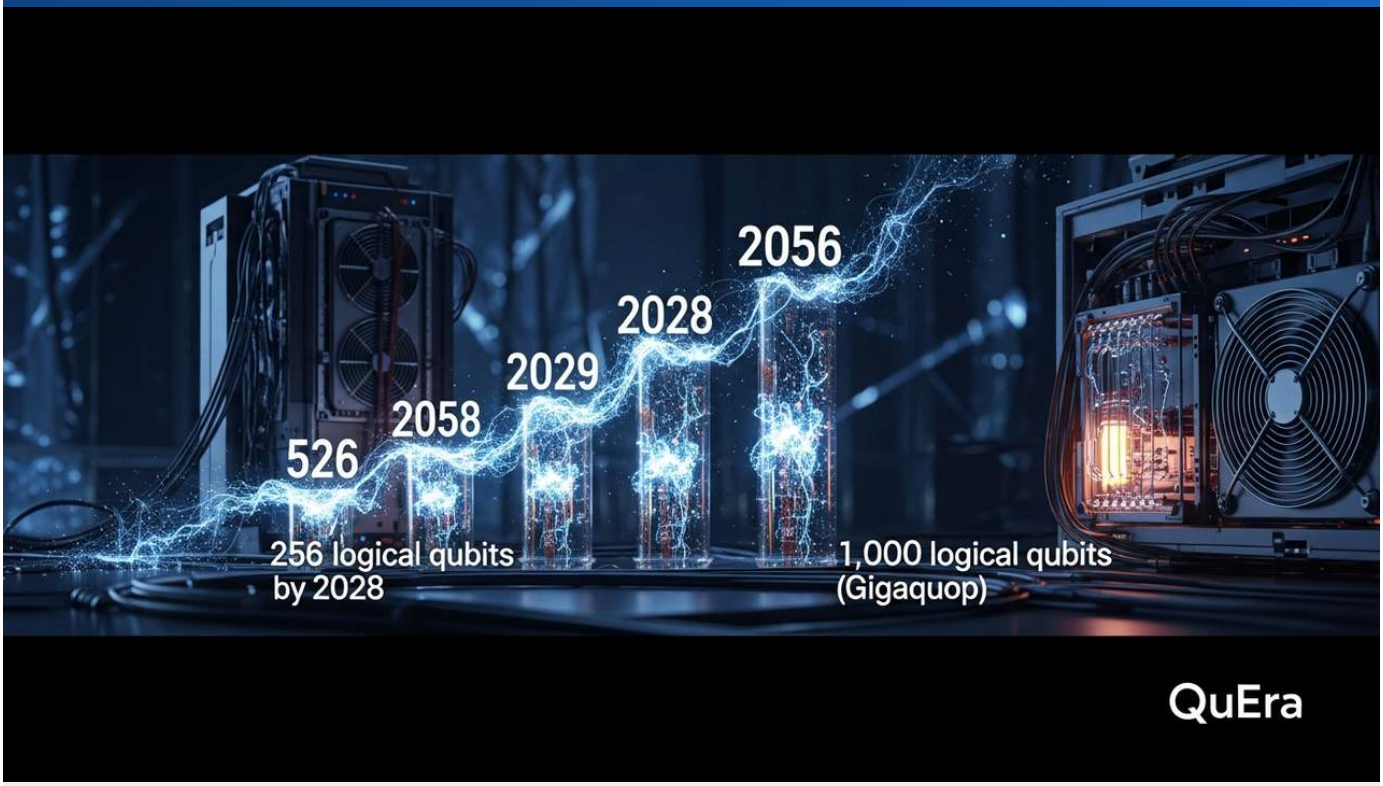

OVERVIEW

QuEra has unveiled an ambitious roadmap for fault-tolerant quantum computing, targeting a 256 error-corrected logical qubit "megaquop" system by 2028, and a "gigaquop" system with over 1,000 logical qubits by 2028/2029, both with very low logical error rates. These systems, based on high-rate quantum low-density parity check (QLDPC) codes, are designed for commercial applications in chemistry, materials science, optimization, and finance. This roadmap provides a clear path towards large-scale, reliable quantum computation for industrial use.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

QuEra has revealed an ambitious roadmap for the realization of fault-tolerant quantum computing. The company aims to develop a "megaquop" system with 256 error-corrected logical qubits by 2028, and a "gigaquop" system featuring over 1,000 logical qubits by 2028-2029, both promising exceptionally low logical error rates. This initiative outlines a concrete path toward the commercial deployment of large-scale, highly reliable quantum computers.

Technical / Clinical Details

QuEra's roadmap is strategically built around systems based on high-rate quantum low-density parity check (QLDPC) codes. QLDPC codes are advantageous for efficiently managing quantum error correction overhead, enabling the construction of robust logical qubits with fewer physical qubits. By leveraging this technology, QuEra targets quantum computer systems specifically tailored for a wide range of commercial applications, including complex molecular simulations in chemistry, new material design in materials science, optimization problems (e.g., logistics, supply chain), and financial modeling. The 256-logical-qubit "megaquop" and the 1,000+-logical-qubit "gigaquop" are positioned as systems with distinct computational capabilities and error resilience profiles.

Background & Context

Fault tolerance, the ability to effectively correct errors arising from qubit fragility, is indispensable for the practical application of quantum computers. However, achieving fault tolerance typically demands a vast number of physical qubits and complex error-correction circuits, posing significant challenges for system construction cost and scalability. QuEra's proposed approach, based on QLDPC codes, represents a promising solution to this challenge, potentially enabling fault tolerance more efficiently than traditional error correction methods. This roadmap signifies a clear commitment to the serious industrial adoption of quantum computers, moving beyond academic research.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

The realization of QuEra's "megaquop" and "gigaquop" systems will significantly accelerate the commercialization of quantum computing. Specifically, systems capable of operating a large number of logical qubits with low error rates will dramatically expand the applicability of quantum computers to complex, real-world problems that are intractable for current supercomputers. This is expected to drive innovative value creation across various industrial sectors, such as shortening drug discovery timelines, accelerating new material development, and enhancing risk analysis in financial markets. QuEra's roadmap will serve as a crucial guide for maximizing the economic impact of quantum technology and driving the next industrial revolution.

Source: https://digitalisationworld.com/content/from-megaquop-to-gigaquop-queras-path-to-useful-quantum-computing

#22 NIH Launches 'Quantum Sensing Technology Challenge' to Apply Quantum Technologies to Biomedical Research

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OVERVIEW

The U.S. National Institutes of Health (NIH) has launched a 'Quantum Sensing Technology Challenge' to incentivize multidisciplinary teams to apply emerging quantum-enabled sensing approaches to biomedical research and clinical applications. This initiative addresses the lack of interdisciplinary collaboration and resources in translating advanced quantum technologies, developed through the US National Quantum Initiative, into impactful biomedical solutions. It is expected to drive innovation in medical diagnostics and therapeutics.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

The U.S. National Institutes of Health (NIH) has launched a groundbreaking 'Quantum Sensing Technology Challenge.' This challenge aims to encourage interdisciplinary research teams to apply emerging quantum-enabled sensing approaches to biomedical research and clinical applications, soliciting innovative solutions. This initiative is expected to lead to significant advancements in diagnostic and therapeutic technologies within the medical field.

Technical / Clinical Details

Quantum sensing technology utilizes the principles of quantum mechanics to measure physical quantities (such as magnetic fields, electric fields, temperature, and molecular concentrations) with extremely high sensitivity and precision. The challenge calls for applying quantum sensing technologies to a wide range of biomedical problems, including high-resolution imaging of brain activity in neuroscience, ultra-sensitive biomarker detection for early cancer diagnosis, real-time molecular diagnostics for personalized medicine, and the development of new therapeutic methods. The NIH specifically emphasizes the development of sensing platforms based on the control and manipulation of quantum systems like photons, atoms, and electron spins. This initiative aims to bridge the gap from technology development to clinical trials, maximizing the potential of quantum sensing.

Background & Context

Through its 'National Quantum Initiative,' the U.S. has invested heavily in quantum science and technology, but much of this has been concentrated in fundamental physics and computing. However, to unlock the true potential of quantum technology, its application in the biomedical field is indispensable. Previously, there have been challenges such due to a lack of interdisciplinary cooperation between fields like quantum physics, materials science, biology, and medicine, and insufficient resources for translating quantum technologies into medical applications. The 'Quantum Sensing Technology Challenge' is designed to bridge this gap and stimulate new technological innovation.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

This challenge is expected to be a powerful catalyst for the rapid development and practical application of quantum sensing technologies in the biomedical sector. Successful projects are anticipated to generate new medical technologies, such as high-precision diagnostic tools, non-invasive monitoring devices, and targeted therapies, which could fundamentally transform patient care. Furthermore, this initiative will foster new collaborations between quantum scientists and biomedical researchers/clinicians, building an interdisciplinary ecosystem. Ultimately, it is projected to contribute to the achievement of the U.S. National Quantum Initiative's goals and bring long-term benefits to national health and well-being.

Source: https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-RM-26-004.html

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#23 arXiv Paper Investigates Policy-Reality Gap in Post-Quantum TLS Deployment

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OVERVIEW

A new arXiv paper investigates the divergence in technical prescriptions and urgency across government and standard body roadmaps for post-quantum cryptography (PQC) transition. Given that PQC has shifted from long-term planning to an operational priority, the paper aims to clarify the extent of practical PQC adoption and how policy differences impact deployment outcomes. This study highlights critical challenges and actual implementation status of PQC in TLS deployment.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

A new paper published on arXiv has meticulously investigated the existing disparity between the technical prescriptions outlined in policy roadmaps from governments and standardization bodies regarding the transition to post-quantum cryptography (PQC), and the practical realities of its deployment in Transport Layer Security (TLS). This research highlights the complexities and challenges of PQC adoption, especially as it moves from a mere future plan to a pressing operational priority.

Technical / Clinical Details

The paper analyzes PQC migration roadmaps from various national government agencies (e.g., U.S. NIST, European ETSI) and international standardization bodies (e.g., IETF), comparing their recommended PQC algorithms, implementation timelines, and migration strategies. A particular focus is placed on the integration of PQC within the TLS protocol, the selection of key exchange mechanisms (KEMs) and digital signature algorithms (DSAs), and the state of "crypto-agility" – the ability to flexibly switch cryptographic schemes. The paper uses empirical data to discuss how these policy differences influence organizational decision-making processes and the progress of PQC adoption across the entire supply chain.

Background & Context

The development of quantum computers poses a potential threat to current public-key cryptographic systems (including the foundation of web communication protected by TLS), with the capability to break them in seconds. Consequently, the transition to PQC has become a global imperative. Governments worldwide are obligating PQC implementation and setting concrete deadlines to protect their information infrastructure. However, the selection, standardization, implementation, and integration of PQC algorithms into existing systems are complex, leading many organizations to face difficulties in this migration process. This paper systematically analyzes the "gap" between policy and reality, providing lessons for a more effective PQC transition.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

The findings of this paper will provide valuable insights for policymakers, standardization bodies, and enterprises involved in PQC TLS deployment. Understanding the discrepancy between policy and reality is crucial for formulating more practical and executable PQC migration strategies. In the future, this research could inform new policy recommendations and help prioritize technological developments to accelerate PQC adoption. Particularly as the need for PQC readiness across the entire supply chain grows, this paper underscores the importance of industry-wide cooperation and information sharing. PQC implementation is fundamental to ensuring the long-term security of the digital society, and this type of analysis will continue to be essential.

Source: https://arxiv.org/abs/2607.29005

#24 US Commerce Dept. Fuels Quantum IP Market Shift to Hardware-Driven Patent Race with Over $2 Billion Federal Funding, Backing IBM Quantum Foundry and PsiQuantum

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OVERVIEW

The U.S. Department of Commerce announced over $2 billion in federal incentives under the CHIPS and Science Act, including $1 billion for IBM to build America's first quantum foundry "Anderon" and $125 million for PsiQuantum from DARPA. This substantial capital injection signifies a paradigm shift, transforming the quantum intellectual property (IP) market from software/algorithm-centric to a hardware-driven patent race. This investment aims to accelerate full-scale physical fabrication in quantum technology, securing national leadership.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

The U.S. Department of Commerce has announced federal incentives exceeding $2 billion (approximately 290 billion JPY) for the quantum technology sector under the CHIPS and Science Act. This funding includes $1 billion allocated to IBM for constructing America's first quantum foundry, 'Anderon,' and $125 million from DARPA (Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency) to PsiQuantum. This significant capital injection is poised to instigate a fundamental transformation, shifting the quantum intellectual property (IP) market into a patent race primarily driven by hardware development.

Technical / Clinical Details

IBM's 'Anderon' quantum foundry is envisioned as a fully vertically integrated facility, encompassing quantum chip design, manufacturing, and packaging. This will allow IBM to accelerate quantum computer hardware development and aims for mass production of high-performance processors with increased qubit counts. Concurrently, PsiQuantum, engaged in developing fault-tolerant quantum computers utilizing photons, will use DARPA's funding to support its technological breakthroughs and R&D for practical implementation. These investments seek to overcome hardware foundational challenges such as qubit stability, scalability, and interconnectivity, thereby accelerating the realization of universal quantum computers.

Background & Context

Historically, the quantum computing field has often prioritized algorithm development and innovations in the software layer, consequently generating much of its intellectual property in these areas. However, for the practical realization of universal quantum computers, the physical manufacturing of high-performance, stable quantum hardware is indispensable. The U.S. government's CHIPS and Science Act is a national strategy aimed at strengthening the domestic semiconductor industry and ensuring technological superiority against competitors like China. This substantial investment in a quantum foundry indicates an expansion of this strategy into the core of quantum technology: hardware manufacturing, potentially fundamentally altering the nature of competition in the global quantum IP market.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

The infusion of over $2 billion in federal funding is expected to dramatically enhance the U.S. quantum technology ecosystem and accelerate innovation. Investments in IBM and PsiQuantum will stimulate private sector investment in quantum hardware manufacturing and promote the establishment of a domestic quantum supply chain in the U.S. This is anticipated to accelerate the commercialization of quantum technology and foster innovative applications across diverse fields, including materials science, drug discovery, finance, and defense. Furthermore, a hardware-driven patent race will reshape the future quantum IP landscape, encouraging the emergence of new technical standards and industry leaders. This clearly signals quantum technology's evolution from a mere research subject to a strategic industry underpinning national economy and security.

Source: https://www.mbhb.com/news/from-qubits-to-research-facilities-how-the-2b-federal-funding-boom-is-reshaping-the-quantum-ip-market/

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#25 Rigetti Computing Reports 99.1% 2-Qubit Gate Fidelity on 108-Qubit 'Cepheus-1' System in Q2 2026 Earnings, Targets 1,000 Qubits at 99.9% Fidelity within Three Years

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OVERVIEW

Rigetti Computing reported Q2 2026 financial results, highlighting continued progress in quantum advantage milestones, including a 99.1% median two-qubit gate fidelity on its 108-qubit 'Cepheus-1' system. The company targets systems with approximately 1,000 qubits and 99.9% two-qubit gate fidelity within three years, supported by infrastructure investments and its chiplet-based architecture. This advance demonstrates a steady progression towards high-fidelity, scalable quantum computation.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

Rigetti Computing has released its financial results for the second quarter of 2026, reporting sustained progress in key technological milestones essential for achieving quantum advantage. The company specifically highlighted its 108-qubit 'Cepheus-1' system, which demonstrated a high median two-qubit gate fidelity of 99.1%.

Technical / Clinical Details

Rigetti's report details advancements across crucial performance indicators, including qubit count, two-qubit gate fidelity, and gate speed. The 'Cepheus-1-108Q' system exhibits advanced performance among current commercial quantum computers, with a 99.1% two-qubit gate fidelity indicating a very low error rate in quantum computations. The company has set an ambitious target of developing a system with approximately 1,000 qubits and an even higher 99.9% two-qubit gate fidelity within the next three years. To achieve this, Rigetti is bolstering its investments in quantum hardware infrastructure and adopting a chiplet-based architecture to enhance scalability and performance. The chiplet architecture is a promising method for building larger, more complex quantum processors by integrating individual quantum chips.

Background & Context

In the field of quantum computing, increasing qubit count is not the sole determinant; the fidelity of gate operations, which control interactions between qubits, is considered one of the most critical factors for realizing practical quantum computers. Higher fidelity leads to fewer errors during quantum computations, enabling the accurate execution of more complex algorithms. Rigetti's report indicates consistent progress in addressing this core technological challenge, solidifying its presence in the race toward universal quantum computers. Achieving 99.1% fidelity on an existing system with over 100 qubits is particularly noteworthy, as it pushes the boundaries of Noisy Intermediate-Scale Quantum (NISQ) devices.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

Rigetti's ambitious goal of achieving 1,000 qubits and 99.9% gate fidelity within the next three years is crucial for accelerating the path to fault-tolerant quantum computing. If this level of performance is attained, it significantly increases the potential for quantum computers to be genuinely applied to complex, real-world problems intractable for current classical computers, spanning fields such as materials science, drug discovery, financial modeling, and artificial intelligence. The success of the chiplet-based architecture will serve as a vital solution for quantum hardware scalability, contributing to reduced manufacturing costs and broader adoption of quantum computers. Rigetti's ongoing technological advancements are expected to positively impact the entire ecosystem moving towards the commercialization of quantum computing.

Source: https://ir.rigetti.com/news-events/press-releases/detail/147/rigetti-computing-reports-second-quarter-2026-financial-results

#26 IonQ Identifies US Executive Orders as "Watershed Moment" Moving Quantum Strategy from Research to Real-World Application

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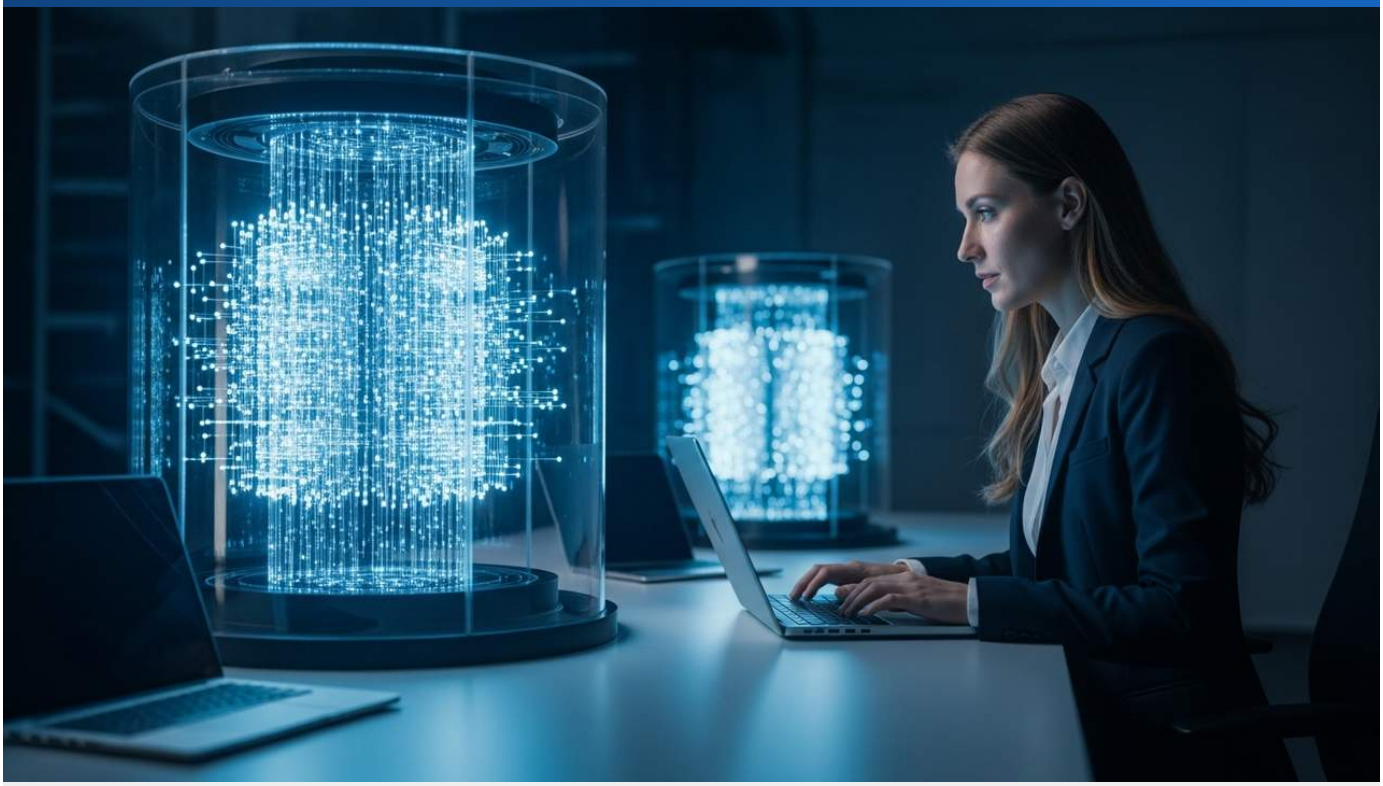

OVERVIEW

IonQ points to two U.S. Executive Orders (EO 14413 and EO 14412), signed on June 22, 2026, as a "watershed moment" defining the U.S. quantum strategy. These orders launch a national effort for quantum computing and set hard deadlines (2030 and 2031) for federal agencies to migrate to post-quantum cryptography. This signifies a shift from academic research to national security priority, establishing a clear schedule for translating research into quantum capability and addressing cryptographic risks.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

IonQ has assessed two U.S. Executive Orders (EO 14413 and EO 14412), signed on June 22, 2026, as a "true watershed moment" for the U.S. quantum strategy. These directives initiate a national endeavor for quantum computing and impose strict deadlines of 2030 and 2031 for federal agencies to migrate to post-quantum cryptography (PQC). This unequivocally signals a transition of quantum technology from a purely academic research subject to an urgent national security priority.

Technical / Clinical Details

EO 14413 aims to operationalize the national effort in quantum computing, enhancing inter-agency coordination to translate research findings into practical quantum capabilities. Concurrently, EO 14412 mandates PQC migration to address cryptographic risks within federal information systems, setting specific deadlines. Consequently, federal agencies are required to update all systems currently relying on public-key cryptography—including digital signatures, key exchanges, and data encryption—to become PQC compliant. These Executive Orders comprehensively cover not only technological development roadmaps but also policy, regulation, and standardization aspects, thereby forming a holistic national strategy for quantum technology.

Background & Context

The evolution of quantum computers poses a significant threat to the public-key cryptographic systems that underpin current digital infrastructure security worldwide. To prepare for this "quantum threat," the U.S. government has historically invested in quantum technology through the National Quantum Initiative. However, these new Executive Orders accelerate that effort, establishing concrete action plans and deadlines, thus elevating its urgency. This demonstrates to the world that quantum technology has transitioned from a realm of scientific exploration to a strategic technology that determines national competitiveness and security.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

These Executive Orders are expected to profoundly impact the entire U.S. quantum technology ecosystem, accelerating innovation and commercialization. Specifically, the mandate for PQC migration will compel security vendors, cloud service providers, and hardware manufacturers to expedite the development and deployment of PQC-compliant products and services. This is projected to significantly boost the growth of the PQC market. Furthermore, the national commitment to quantum computing will strengthen collaborations among academia, industry, and government agencies, fostering the development of new quantum applications and talent. For quantum computing companies like IonQ, this represents a substantial opportunity to expand partnerships with the government and contribute their technologies to the realization of national strategic goals.

Source: https://ionq.com/news/executive-orders-move-quantum-from-research-to-real-life-and-its-truly-a-watershed-moment

#27 UCLA-led Team Secures $4 Million NSF Award to Design 60-Logical-Qubit Fault-Tolerant Quantum Computer Based on Trapped Ions

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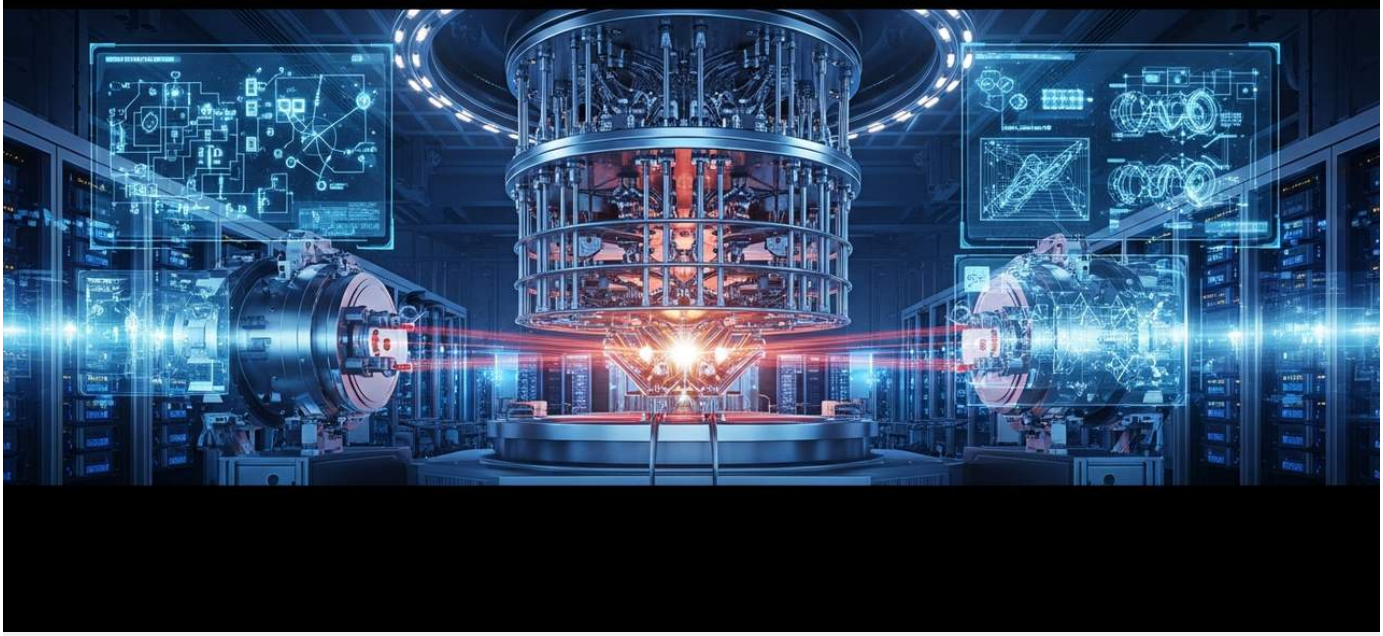

OVERVIEW

A UCLA-led team received $4 million in NSF funding through the National Quantum Virtual Laboratory (NQVL) to develop a fault-tolerant quantum computer design based on trapped atomic ions. The project, "FTL: Accelerating Fault-Tolerant Quantum Logic," aims to create a blueprint for a machine with 60 logical qubits capable of performing digital quantum simulations beyond classical supercomputers. This marks a critical step toward realizing practical, large-scale quantum computers.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

A research team led by the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) has secured a $4 million grant (approximately 580 million JPY) from the U.S. National Science Foundation (NSF) through the National Quantum Virtual Laboratory (NQVL) program. This funding is dedicated to the design and development of a fault-tolerant quantum computer based on trapped atomic ions, targeting 60 logical qubits. This endeavor aims to achieve digital quantum simulations that surpass the capabilities of classical supercomputers.

Technical / Clinical Details

The project, named "FTL: Accelerating Fault-Tolerant Quantum Logic," focuses on the accelerated development of high-fidelity quantum logic gates and error correction circuits, which are essential for realizing fault-tolerant quantum computers. Trapped ions are considered a promising candidate for fault-tolerant quantum computing due to their high qubit stability and excellent gate operation fidelity. The team will undertake architectural design for implementing 60 logical qubits, optimizing error correction codes, and developing control systems. A logical qubit count of this scale would enable complex digital simulations of physical systems and chemical reactions that are currently intractable for noisy intermediate-scale quantum (NISQ) devices, aiming for breakthroughs in areas beyond the reach of conventional supercomputers.

Background & Context

One of the most significant challenges in quantum computing is that qubits are highly sensitive to environmental noise, leading to frequent errors during computation. To maintain computational reliability by suppressing these errors to an acceptable level, "fault-tolerant quantum computing" is indispensable. However, achieving fault tolerance typically requires an immense number of physical qubits and advanced error correction technologies, making its realization extremely difficult. The grant secured by the UCLA team is part of the U.S. National Quantum Initiative, aimed at accelerating the bridge between fundamental and applied research in this field. The goal of 60 logical qubits is highly regarded within the industry as a concrete pathway towards practical, large-scale fault-tolerant quantum computers.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

The outcomes of the "FTL" project are expected to significantly influence the design and construction of future fault-tolerant quantum computers. If a machine with 60 logical qubits is realized, it will enable innovative applications across a wide range of fields, including the discovery of new materials in materials science, molecular simulations in drug discovery, financial modeling, and artificial intelligence. In particular, the ability to perform digital quantum simulations that were impossible for conventional supercomputers is expected to accelerate the exploration of uncharted territories in fundamental science. This UCLA initiative will play a crucial role in establishing the U.S. as a global leader in quantum technology and will contribute to training the next generation of quantum scientists and engineers.

Source: https://newsroom.ucla.edu/releases/ucla-led-team-nsf-quantum-technology-award

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#28 D-Wave and Nasdaq Verafin Partner to Develop Quantum Computing Applications for Financial Crime Management

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OVERVIEW

D-Wave and Nasdaq Verafin have announced a strategic partnership to develop quantum computing applications for financial crime management. Focusing on D-Wave's annealing quantum computing technology, this collaboration aims to identify unusual behavioral patterns associated with fraud, scams, and money laundering. The initiative seeks to dramatically enhance financial institutions' fraud detection capabilities by uncovering complex relationships often overlooked by conventional approaches in real-world commercial applications.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

D-Wave and Nasdaq Verafin have announced a strategic partnership aimed at developing quantum computing applications for financial crime management. This collaboration seeks to leverage D-Wave's annealing quantum computing technology to identify anomalous behavioral patterns and complex relationships associated with financial crimes such as fraud, scams, and money laundering, which are often difficult to detect using traditional classical approaches.

Technical / Clinical Details

This partnership combines Nasdaq Verafin's advanced financial crime detection platform with D-Wave's strength in annealing quantum computers for optimization tasks. Annealing quantum computers are particularly adept at solving complex optimization problems, offering the potential to rapidly identify subtle patterns of illicit activities from vast amounts of financial transaction data that might be overlooked by human analysts or conventional AI systems. This capability will enable financial institutions to more efficiently and accurately flag suspicious transactions, reduce false positives, and enhance compliance with regulatory requirements. The application development will proceed with a clear focus on validation and practical deployment within real-world commercial environments.

Background & Context

Financial crime results in trillions of dollars in losses globally each year, with methods becoming increasingly sophisticated and complex. Traditional financial crime management systems, relying on rule-based detection and statistical models, have struggled to fully capture new threats and organized criminal networks. Quantum computing offers a promising avenue to address this challenge by exploring intricate relationships among massive data points and providing insights previously unattainable by classical computers. Nasdaq Verafin is a market leader in AI/ML-based financial crime management solutions, and this partnership with D-Wave is seen as a move to further strengthen its technological edge and pioneer the frontiers of financial security in the quantum era.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

The D-Wave and Nasdaq Verafin partnership represents a significant case study for accelerating the concrete commercial application of quantum computing in the financial services industry. The success of this project is expected to contribute to earlier detection of fraudulent transactions, enhanced customer protection, and reduced regulatory compliance costs for financial institutions. In the future, this technology holds the potential for application in other areas of the financial industry, such as risk management, portfolio optimization, and high-frequency trading. As a pioneering effort demonstrating how quantum technology evolution can transform the safety and efficiency of financial systems, its future progress will be closely watched.

Source: https://www.dwavequantum.com/press-releases/d-wave-and-nasdaq-verafin-announce-agreement-for-quantum-computing-application-development/

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#29 Hitachi Leverages Intel's 18A Process for Mass Production Development of 1000-Qubit Class Silicon Quantum Computers

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OVERVIEW

Hitachi announced it will commence R&D for mass production of silicon quantum computers, utilizing Intel's cutting-edge 18A process technology, after being selected for a NEDO subsidy program. The project, in collaboration with Intel and AIST, aims to establish fundamental technologies for designing, manufacturing, and implementing quantum bit chips for 100-qubit class and ultimately 1000-qubit class systems. This groundbreaking initiative paves the way for high-volume production of practical quantum computers.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

Hitachi, Ltd. has announced its intention to fully leverage Intel's cutting-edge 18A process technology for the full-scale development of mass production for silicon quantum computers, following its selection for a NEDO subsidy program. This project represents a groundbreaking step in manufacturing towards the future realization of large-scale quantum computers.

Technical / Clinical Details

The project's objective is to establish fundamental technologies for the design, manufacturing, and implementation of quantum bit chips for 100-qubit class and ultimately 1000-qubit class silicon quantum computer systems. Intel's 18A process is a state-of-the-art semiconductor manufacturing technology featuring atomic layer deposition (ALD) high-k/metal gate process and the next-generation Gate-All-Around (GAA) transistor structure, 'RibbonFET.' By utilizing this, Hitachi aims to achieve extremely fine and high-density qubit structures, balancing stability and scalability. Hitachi will integrate Intel's manufacturing technology expertise with the quantum technology research expertise of the National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST) to accelerate Japan's quantum computer development. This research scope includes realizing silicon qubits capable of operating at higher temperatures and technologies for integrating multiple qubit chips.

Background & Context

Silicon quantum computers are considered a strong candidate for next-generation quantum computers due to their high compatibility with existing semiconductor manufacturing technologies and significant potential for large-scale integration. However, manufacturing an increasing number of qubits while maintaining high fidelity and stability has remained a major technical challenge. Intel has also been actively investing in qubit development, and this collaboration aims to overcome this challenge by merging Intel's expertise in semiconductor manufacturing with Hitachi's commitment to quantum technology. NEDO's subsidy program is a Japanese national strategy to strongly promote the industrial application and competitiveness of quantum technology, and Hitachi's initiative forms a core part of this strategy.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

Hitachi's initiative to mass-produce silicon quantum computers using Intel's 18A process will significantly contribute to the early realization of practical large-scale quantum computers. If 1000-qubit class systems are achieved, they will be capable of solving advanced computational problems intractable for current classical computers in fields such as drug discovery, new material development, financial modeling, and artificial intelligence. This technology holds the potential to reduce the manufacturing cost of quantum computers and promote their widespread adoption across various industries. Furthermore, it is expected to help establish Japan's technological superiority in quantum hardware manufacturing within the global quantum technology race. This project will play a crucial role in the development of Japan's quantum ecosystem and contribute to the advancement of international quantum technology.

Source: https://monoist.itmedia.co.jp/mn/articles/2608/06/news043.html

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#30 TISI and Osaka University Achieve Commercial-Solver-Level Accuracy for Over 10,000 Power Resource Optimization via Quantum Computer

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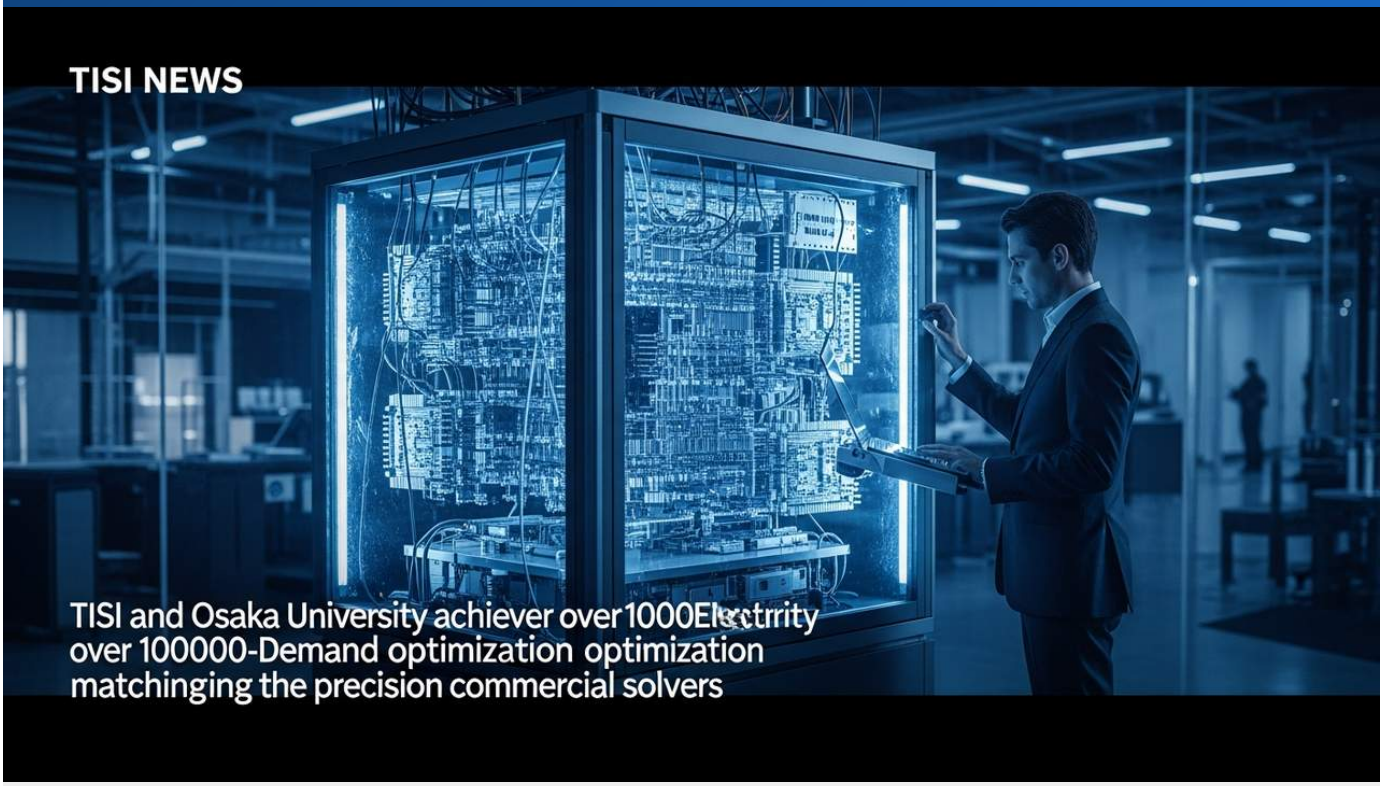

OVERVIEW

TISI Corporation and Osaka University's Quantum Information and Quantum Life Sciences Research Center demonstrated quantum computers' applicability to large-scale combinatorial optimization problems, achieving commercial-solver-level accuracy for over 10,000 power resources in electricity supply-demand optimization. This breakthrough, utilizing the Pauli Correlation Encoding (PCE) quantum optimization algorithm, indicates quantum computers can tackle real-world industrial-scale problems. The research has been submitted to "Physical Review Applied" and selected for IEEE Quantum Week 2026.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

TISI Corporation and Osaka University's Quantum Information and Quantum Life Sciences Research Center, in a joint research effort, have demonstrated the applicability of quantum computers to combinatorial optimization problems involving over 10,000 power resources, a practical scale, and achieved accuracy comparable to commercial optimization solvers. This achievement indicates the potential of quantum computers to provide practical solutions for complex real-world problems in electricity supply-demand optimization.

Technical / Clinical Details

In this research, the uniquely developed quantum optimization algorithm, Pauli Correlation Encoding (PCE), played a crucial role. PCE efficiently maps combinatorial optimization problems onto qubits, constructing quantum circuits executable even on current noisy intermediate-scale quantum (NISQ) devices. The research team applied this algorithm to actual electricity supply-demand optimization problems, simulating optimal operational plans for over 10,000 power resources (such as generators and storage batteries). The results demonstrated that quantum computers could tackle this large-scale problem while maintaining solution accuracy comparable to leading conventional commercial optimization solvers. Details of this research have been submitted to "Physical Review Applied" and are scheduled to be presented at IEEE Quantum Week 2026.

Background & Context

Electricity supply-demand optimization is an extremely complex combinatorial optimization problem indispensable for maintaining stable power supply, expanding the introduction of renewable energy, and improving cost efficiency. As the number of power resources increases, computation time for classical computers grows exponentially, making real-time optimization challenging. Quantum computers, with their parallel processing capabilities, hold the potential to efficiently solve such large-scale combinatorial optimization problems, promising innovation in the energy management sector. This achievement by TISI and Osaka University marks a significant milestone, indicating that quantum computers are transitioning from theoretical possibilities to concrete industrial applications.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

The technology demonstrated by TISI and Osaka University opens the door for quantum computers to be utilized in solving large-scale combinatorial optimization problems across various industrial sectors, starting with electricity supply-demand optimization. In the future, applications are expected in real-time optimization for smart grids, urban traffic flow optimization, logistics and supply chain efficiency, and financial portfolio optimization. With further development of the PCE algorithm and improvements in quantum hardware performance, the quality and scale of solutions that quantum computers can provide will further increase, holding the potential to contribute to solving diverse societal challenges. This research underscores Japan's role in accelerating the societal implementation of quantum technology.

Source: https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/ja/news/2026/07/3001

#31 Canadian Government Invests $20.3 Million in University of Calgary's Quantum Defence Innovation Secure Hub to Advance Quantum Technologies for Defense and Security

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OVERVIEW

The Government of Canada invested $20.3 million to operate the Quantum Defence Innovation Secure Hub at the University of Calgary's Quantum City. This is part of Canada's National Quantum Strategy, focusing on developing quantum technologies for defense and security applications like quantum-enhanced radar, LiDAR, algorithms, and networking, with a roadmap to advance these by 2030. This strategic investment aims to enhance national security capabilities and position Canada as a leader in quantum defense.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

The Government of Canada has announced a $20.3 million investment for the operation of the 'Quantum Defence Innovation Secure Hub,' located within the University of Calgary's 'Quantum City.' This funding is specifically earmarked to accelerate the research, development, and practical application of quantum technologies in the defense and security sectors.

Technical / Clinical Details

With this investment, the Quantum Defence Innovation Secure Hub will focus its R&D efforts on the following key quantum technology areas:

- **Quantum-Enhanced Radar and LiDAR:** Next-generation sensing technologies utilizing quantum principles to significantly improve the capabilities for enemy detection, tracking, and identification.
- **Quantum Algorithms:** Solving complex computational problems intractable for classical computers, such as cryptographic analysis, optimization of defense systems, and analysis of adversarial networks.
- **Quantum Networking and Secure Communications:** Achieving ultra-secure, eavesdropping-proof communication using technologies like Quantum Key Distribution (QKD) to eliminate the risk of information leakage.

The hub aims to strengthen collaborations among Canada's Department of National Defence, academic institutions, industry, and startups, establishing a roadmap to operationalize these defense and security-oriented quantum technologies by 2030. Furthermore, these technologies are being developed with an eye towards deployment in challenging environments, such as the Arctic regions.

Background & Context

Quantum technology holds the potential to revolutionize national security, information warfare, and defense capabilities, leading governments worldwide to accelerate strategic investments. Canada, recognized for its robust quantum research foundation, is making this investment a cornerstone of its 'National Quantum Strategy.' The military applications of post-quantum cryptography development and quantum sensing technologies, in particular, could determine superiority in future conflicts. The establishment of such specialized hubs is therefore critically important for securing national competitiveness.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

This $20.3 million investment by the Canadian government is expected to significantly propel innovation in quantum technologies for the defense and security sectors. The Quantum Defence Innovation Secure Hub will serve as a crucial catalyst for transforming quantum technology into practical defense capabilities, thereby strengthening Canada's national security framework. Furthermore, the next generation of quantum technology experts trained at this hub will contribute to the growth of Canada's entire quantum ecosystem. The roadmap extending to 2030 sets clear goals for concrete outcomes and practical implementation, making its future progress a subject of close observation.

Source: https://www.facebook.com/DND.CAF/posts/the-government-of-canada-has-invested-203-million-to-operate-the-quantum-defence/1045233190100778/

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#32 U.S. Department of Energy Highlights Research Uncovering Hidden Disorder in Silicon Quantum Computers for Scalable Computing

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OVERVIEW

The U.S. Department of Energy highlights research into silicon spin qubits, emphasizing their promise for scalable quantum computing due to compatibility with semiconductor technology. The article discusses ongoing efforts to understand and control quantum properties like electron spin and valley states within silicon quantum wells, addressing challenges posed by inherent 'disorder.' This fundamental research is crucial for enhancing qubit stability and performance.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

The U.S. Department of Energy has highlighted cutting-edge research on silicon spin qubits. This study aims to elucidate the 'hidden disorder' inherent in silicon-based quantum computers, exploring critical challenges and solutions for achieving scalable quantum computing. Silicon qubits are drawing significant attention as a promising candidate for future quantum computers due to their high compatibility with existing semiconductor manufacturing technologies.

Technical / Clinical Details

Silicon spin qubits utilize the spin state of a single electron within a silicon crystal as an information carrier. However, minute imperfections or impurities in the silicon crystal can affect the delicate quantum state of qubits, leading to errors. This article specifically details how the coherence time (the duration a quantum state can be maintained) of electron spins and valley states (degrees of freedom derived from silicon's electronic band structure) within silicon quantum well structures are influenced by these 'disorders.' Researchers are developing methods to understand and precisely control the impact of atomic-level defects and interface roughness on qubit performance, thereby realizing more stable and high-fidelity qubits. This includes optimizing material growth processes and new design principles for accurately tuning interactions between qubits.

Background & Context

One of the biggest challenges for commercializing quantum computers is reducing qubit error rates and achieving scalability. Silicon-based quantum computers, capable of leveraging established semiconductor manufacturing technologies, are being actively researched worldwide due to their high potential for large-scale integration. However, controlling minute imperfections at the qubit level with existing semiconductor technologies has been difficult, limiting quantum computer performance. The U.S. Department of Energy, as part of its national science and technology strategy, is focusing on materials science research as a foundation for quantum information, and this study represents the forefront of that effort.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

Elucidating and controlling 'hidden disorder' in silicon quantum computers is an indispensable step towards realizing fault-tolerant quantum computers. Progress in this fundamental research will accelerate the development of high-performance quantum chips that can stably integrate more qubits. In the future, this technology holds the potential to create innovative applications across diverse fields such as drug discovery, new material development, and artificial intelligence. The U.S. Department of Energy's continuous investment in this area is expected to strengthen U.S. leadership in quantum technology and play a crucial role in opening up new frontiers in next-generation science and technology.

Source: https://www.energy.gov/science/bes/articles/uncovering-hidden-disorder-silicon-quantum-computers

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#33 Rice University Lands $19.9 Million NSF Grant to Build AI-Driven Quantum Materials Lab 'READINESS'

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OVERVIEW

Rice University received a $19.9 million grant from the National Science Foundation to establish 'READINESS,' an AI-driven quantum materials lab. This lab aims to accelerate quantum and electronic materials production through automated, remote, and cloud-based research platforms. Collaborating with SUNY Polytechnic Institute and the University of Texas at Austin, it will focus on materials for quantum devices, aligning with national priorities in energy, scientific discovery, and national security.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

Rice University has secured a substantial $19.9 million grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF) to establish 'READINESS,' an AI-driven quantum materials laboratory. This innovative lab aims to dramatically accelerate the discovery and production of quantum and electronic materials by leveraging automated, remote, and cloud-based research platforms.

Technical / Clinical Details

The 'READINESS' lab will integrate artificial intelligence (AI) and robotics to fundamentally transform the paradigm of materials science research. Specifically, AI will design candidate quantum materials, while robotic systems will synthesize and characterize these materials. Data will be analyzed in real-time in the cloud, providing feedback for new discoveries. This approach is expected to reduce the conventional materials development cycle, which typically takes several years, to just a few months. Research will primarily focus on materials essential for quantum devices (such as quantum computers and quantum sensors), aiming to develop high-temperature superconductors, topological materials, and low-dimensional materials. The lab will also collaborate with SUNY Polytechnic Institute and the University of Texas at Austin, establishing an interdisciplinary research network.

Background & Context

Quantum materials are at the foundation of innovative technologies across diverse fields, including energy, electronics, medicine, and defense, leading nations worldwide to focus intensely on their research and development. However, the discovery and optimization of new quantum materials have traditionally been highly time-consuming and costly processes due to their complexity. AI and automation are expected to be key in overcoming this challenge and accelerating the pace of discovery in materials science. This NSF grant aligns with the U.S. National Quantum Initiative and the CHIPS and Science Act, which aims to strengthen semiconductor research, marking a crucial effort to enhance U.S. leadership in materials science.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

The establishment of the AI-driven quantum materials lab 'READINESS' will be a significant driving force for the commercialization and societal implementation of quantum technology. The materials developed in this lab will be indispensable for the realization of next-generation high-performance quantum computers, energy-efficient devices, and high-precision sensors. Furthermore, automated research platforms will provide researchers with a more efficient experimental environment, accelerating new scientific discoveries. Through this initiative, Rice University and its collaborating institutions are expected to directly contribute to national priorities such as energy, scientific discovery, and national security, thereby fostering the growth of the overall U.S. quantum ecosystem and enhancing international competitiveness. This project concretely demonstrates the future possibilities brought by the fusion of AI and quantum science.

Source: https://innovationmap.com/rice-university-artificial-intelligence-quantum-materials-lab-nsf/

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#34 Innovate UK Announces Up to £13 Million Funding Opportunity for Quantum Computing Software Projects, Prioritizing Commercially Viable Solutions for Real-World Problems

Published August 06, 2026 Quantum Technology Futurist UK

OVERVIEW

Innovate UK will invest up to £13 million in quantum computing software applications, seeking commercially viable solutions for real-world problems. The funding initiative, open for applications until September 2026, prioritizes projects demonstrating validated applications and performance on existing quantum systems with a viable pathway for adoption within the UK economy. This will accelerate the growth and commercialization of the UK's quantum technology ecosystem.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

Innovate UK, the UK's innovation agency, has announced a funding opportunity of up to £13 million (approximately 2.3 billion JPY) for the development of quantum computing software applications. This program aims to generate commercially viable solutions for real-world problems and is expected to accelerate the growth and commercialization of the UK's quantum technology ecosystem.

Technical / Clinical Details

This funding initiative prioritizes projects that meet the following criteria:

- **Validated Applications:** Demonstrating effective solutions to actual industrial challenges on existing quantum computer systems.
- **Performance:** Maximizing the capabilities of quantum hardware and offering significant advantages compared to classical solutions.
- **Feasible Adoption Pathway:** Possessing a clear and realistic plan for commercial introduction and scaling within the UK economy.

The target application areas are broad, including financial services, drug discovery, logistics optimization, and materials science. Innovate UK will support not only software development but also the refinement of quantum algorithms, quantum-classical hybrid solutions, and the creation of user-friendly quantum development tools. The application deadline is September 2026.

Background & Context

Quantum computing is drawing global attention as a 'next-generation technology' with the potential to outperform classical computers for certain complex problems. The UK government has made substantial investments in this sector through its National Quantum Technology Programme. While previous investments tended to focus on hardware development and fundamental research, Innovate UK's current initiative shifts the focus to quantum software applications, particularly the creation of practical 'use cases.' This aims to connect fundamental research outcomes to tangible industrial value and maximize contributions to the UK economy.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

The funding opportunity of up to £13 million will provide a significant boost to the UK's quantum computing software development community. This investment will accelerate the commercialization of quantum technology and help the UK establish leadership in the global quantum market. Successful projects will demonstrate the concrete value of quantum computers, promoting their wider adoption across industries. Furthermore, this funding is expected to foster new quantum technology startups, encourage innovation by existing companies, and strengthen the UK's quantum talent pool. Innovate UK's initiative marks a critical phase where the UK's quantum ecosystem transitions from research and development to practical commercial solutions.

Source: https://quantumtechfuturist.com/innovate-uk-reports-a-30-funding-chance-for-quantum-computing-projects/

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#35 EU Quantum Flagship Roadmaps Criticized for Lacking PQC Workstream and Inconsistencies with Broader Strategy

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OVERVIEW

Six draft roadmaps for the EU Quantum Flagship, designed to steer Europe's quantum research and industrial policy through 2035, are currently under scrutiny. An analysis points to significant shortcomings, notably the absence of a dedicated Post-Quantum Cryptography (PQC) workstream and inconsistencies with the overarching 'Quantum Europe Strategy' and the forthcoming 'EU Quantum Act.' These issues raise serious concerns about the coherence and effectiveness of Europe's quantum ambitions in a fiercely competitive global landscape.

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Background

Quantum technology has emerged as a critical domain, attracting substantial global investment and intense competition for leadership due to its profound implications for national security, economic competitiveness, and scientific advancement. In response, the European Union initiated the 'EU Quantum Flagship' in 2018, a large-scale, decade-long program committing €1 billion to secure a prominent position in this race. While the flagship's roadmaps are pivotal in charting Europe's technical trajectory, the observed omission of a clear commitment to urgent areas like Post-Quantum Cryptography (PQC) could expose significant vulnerabilities in the continent's overarching quantum security posture. As nations like the U.S. aggressively establish concrete timelines for PQC migration, questions are increasingly being raised about the comprehensiveness and foresight of Europe's strategic approach.

Key Findings

An analysis of the six draft roadmaps, recently released for public consultation by the EU Quantum Flagship, has uncovered several critical deficiencies. Chief among these are the conspicuous absence of a dedicated workstream for Post-Quantum Cryptography (PQC) and a noted misalignment with the broader 'Quantum Europe Strategy' and the upcoming 'EU Quantum Act.' These discrepancies highlight significant areas requiring urgent improvement to ensure the flagship's objectives are met effectively.

Technical Analysis

The draft roadmaps delineate key technological domains, including quantum computing, communication, sensing, and simulation. However, despite Post-Quantum Cryptography (PQC) being an indispensable pillar for safeguarding European information infrastructure against future quantum decryption threats, it has not been clearly articulated as an independent, dedicated workstream. The analysis specifically criticizes the roadmaps' lack of detailed objectives for PQC research and development, insufficient plans for engagement in standardization processes, and absent clear implementation strategies for European industry. Moreover, a significant disconnect was identified between the expansive vision articulated in the overarching 'Quantum Europe Strategy' and the specific technical scope of the roadmaps. Ensuring consistency with the future legal and regulatory framework of the nascent 'EU Quantum Act' also presents a considerable challenge.

Strategic Implications & Outlook

The findings from this analysis underscore an imperative for the EU Quantum Flagship: the strategic recognition and integration of PQC development and implementation. Incorporating these vital improvements through the ongoing public consultation process is crucial for bolstering the robustness and effectiveness of Europe's quantum strategy. It is anticipated that PQC will eventually be elevated to an independent workstream, furnishing European industries with explicit guidelines and robust support for mitigating emergent quantum threats. Such a proactive stance would significantly enhance Europe's competitive standing in the global quantum technology landscape and fortify its digital sovereignty. The finalization of these roadmaps and the progression of the 'EU Quantum Act' will therefore be subjects of intense scrutiny.

Source: https://www.qubitbyqubit.org/post/eu-quantum-flagship-roadmaps-what-needs-fixing

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#36 QTREX Quantum's Proprietary Quantum Interconnect Platform Exceeds Strategic Partners' RF Performance Requirements, Enabling Scalable High-Density Quantum Hardware

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OVERVIEW

QTREX Quantum announced its proprietary printed coaxial quantum interconnect platform exceeded RF performance requirements set by strategic partners, marking a key milestone in its R&D and commercialization program for quantum connectivity. RF characterization showed continuous broadband transmission from 10 MHz to 20 GHz with high crosstalk suppression and picosecond-level timing precision, supporting scalability for high-density quantum hardware systems. This breakthrough addresses critical wiring challenges in quantum computing, paving the way for larger and more reliable quantum processors.

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Key Findings

QTREX Quantum has announced that its proprietary printed coaxial quantum interconnect platform has achieved results significantly exceeding the stringent RF performance requirements set by its strategic partner companies. This accomplishment represents a crucial breakthrough for realizing scalable and reliable quantum connectivity within high-density quantum hardware systems.

Technical / Clinical Details

The quantum interconnect platform demonstrated continuous broadband transmission performance across a wide frequency range from 10 MHz to 20 GHz, exhibiting excellent crosstalk suppression of at least 68 dB without resonance. Furthermore, RF characterization confirmed picosecond-level timing precision, along with strictly controlled insertion loss, impedance, and transmission consistency. These performance indicators underscore the platform's ability to precisely control numerous qubits and minimize quantum signal degradation, which is essential for constructing large-scale quantum processors. This technology from QTREX Quantum provides a foundational capability for maximizing the performance of superconducting quantum computers operating in cryogenic environments and quantum systems requiring high-precision microwave control.

Background & Context

To enhance quantum computer performance, it is indispensable to increase the number of qubits and efficiently and accurately interconnect them. However, the 'wiring problem'—physically integrating numerous qubits and supplying individual control signals to each—has been one of the biggest challenges in quantum computer scalability. Especially when qubits are controlled by microwave signals, signal loss, crosstalk, and thermal noise significantly degrade the fidelity of quantum computations. QTREX Quantum's printed coaxial quantum interconnect platform offers an innovative solution to these challenges, expected to be a higher-performance, high-density alternative to conventional wire bonding and flexible cables.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

QTREX Quantum's technical achievement addresses a key bottleneck in quantum hardware development and will accelerate the construction of next-generation quantum computers. The results, exceeding strategic partners' performance requirements, suggest that this platform is ready for commercial deployment. In the future, this interconnect technology is expected to be widely adopted in the design and manufacturing of large-scale superconducting and trapped-ion quantum computers, contributing to the realization of systems with more qubits. This will accelerate the industrial application of quantum technology, opening the door to solving complex problems intractable for current classical computers in materials science, drug discovery, financial modeling, and artificial intelligence. QTREX Quantum is poised to establish itself as a key hardware supplier in the quantum ecosystem.

Source: https://stocktitan.net/news/QTEX/qtrex-proprietary-quantum-interconnect-platform-exceeds-performance-h5d808c4x5e1.html

#37 Mitsubishi Electric Invests in JIJ, a Startup Developing Mathematical Optimization Middleware for Quantum Computers, Accelerating Social Implementation

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OVERVIEW

Mitsubishi Electric, through its ME Innovation Fund, has strategically invested in JIJ Co., Ltd., a startup specializing in mathematical optimization middleware for quantum computers. This partnership aims to accelerate the real-world deployment of quantum technology by integrating JIJ's "JijZept" platform with Mitsubishi Electric's deep application expertise and quantum interconnection technologies. The investment is poised to enhance technological leadership and unlock practical applications of quantum computing across critical social infrastructure.

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Background

Mathematical optimization is a cornerstone for efficiency across numerous societal sectors, from optimizing power grids and logistics to refining production planning and financial portfolio management. Yet, with increasing problem scale, classical computers face an exponential surge in computation time, rendering it impractical to derive optimal solutions within realistic timeframes. Quantum computing presents a transformative solution, capable of tackling large-scale, complex optimization problems previously considered intractable. Mitsubishi Electric, a key supporter of social infrastructure, is committed to swiftly integrating quantum technology's potential into its operations to address these pressing societal challenges. This strategic investment in JIJ also reinforces Japan's burgeoning quantum technology ecosystem and aims to accelerate the industrial adoption of quantum computers.

Key Findings

Mitsubishi Electric Corporation, via its Corporate Venture Capital (CVC) fund "ME Innovation Fund" (co-managed with Global Brain Corporation), has announced a strategic investment in JIJ Co., Ltd. JIJ is an innovative startup specializing in the development and provision of mathematical optimization middleware designed for quantum computers. This investment is explicitly aimed at accelerating the real-world deployment of quantum technology and fostering innovation across Mitsubishi Electric's diverse business domains.

Central to this collaboration is JIJ's flagship offering, "JijZept," a middleware development platform engineered to tackle mathematical optimization challenges using both quantum annealing machines and universal quantum computers. JijZept excels at efficiently translating intricate optimization problems into a quantum-computable format, thereby enabling high-performance processing. Mitsubishi Electric plans to integrate JIJ's foundational technology with its own deep expertise in application development—spanning critical sectors like power, transportation, and building systems—alongside its proprietary quantum computer interconnection technologies. This synergy is designed to catalyze the practical application of quantum computing to solve large-scale combinatorial optimization problems prevalent in social infrastructure and to facilitate the creation of novel services.

This strategic partnership between Mitsubishi Electric and JIJ is poised to be a significant catalyst for the practical adoption of quantum computing technology. By merging JIJ's specialized middleware with Mitsubishi Electric's robust applied technologies, the collaboration anticipates developing more efficient and reliable quantum optimization solutions, delivering tangible benefits across a broad spectrum of industries including power, transportation, and manufacturing. Furthermore, insights gleaned from this joint effort are expected to inform and advance the development of new quantum algorithms and hardware, reinforcing Japan's technological leadership in the quantum domain. Ultimately, this initiative represents a forward-looking investment aimed at fostering a sustainable and efficient future powered by quantum technology.

Source: https://www.mitsubishielectric.co.jp/news/2026/0804-a.html

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#38 Thai Government, TRUE, CP Group Partner to Build Sovereign Quantum Technology Ecosystem; Finland's QMill and Montreal's ÉTS Collaborate on Quantum Algorithms for Energy

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OVERVIEW

Thailand, in partnership with telecommunications giant TRUE and CP Group, is launching a major initiative to establish a sovereign quantum technology ecosystem. Concurrently, Finnish quantum software firm QMill and Montreal's ÉTS have formed a strategic alliance to develop quantum algorithms for critical energy applications. These parallel efforts underscore a global trend of strategic investment and international collaboration in quantum technology, aimed at fostering national technological self-reliance and driving industrial innovation.

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Background

Governments globally are investing heavily and competing fiercely in quantum technology, recognizing its pivotal role in national security, economic competitiveness, and scientific discovery. The Thai government's recent initiative aligns with a broader national strategy to foster technological self-reliance and stimulate economic development through quantum advancements. Within Asia, a region currently spearheaded by China and Japan in quantum development, Thailand's entry is poised to diversify the existing quantum ecosystem. In parallel, the partnership between QMill and ÉTS exemplifies international collaboration designed to bridge the gap between quantum software and hardware, thereby accelerating industrial applications. The energy sector, replete with complex optimization problems and simulation challenges, stands out as an area where quantum technology promises significant transformative impact.

Key Initiatives and Technical Details

In a significant move to foster technological self-reliance, the Thai government, in concert with telecommunications giant TRUE, the CP Group conglomerate, and other private sector entities, has launched an ambitious initiative to establish a sovereign quantum technology ecosystem. This large-scale collaboration, encompassing key quantum technology areas such as quantum computing, quantum communication, and quantum sensing, aims to develop indigenous quantum hardware, software, and algorithms. Specific plans are expected to include dedicated quantum hardware development, comprehensive software and algorithm research, and pilot projects designed for industrial applications. The primary objective is to build Thailand's foundational expertise in the nascent quantum era, significantly reducing future reliance on external technologies and positioning the nation as a potential regional hub through strategic international partnerships.

Simultaneously, Finnish quantum software company QMill and Montreal's École de technologie supérieure (ÉTS) have finalized a strategic partnership to advance quantum algorithm research and facilitate technology transfer. This collaboration specifically targets critical applications within the energy industry, addressing challenges such as grid optimization, the discovery of novel materials for energy solutions, and sophisticated climate change modeling. Both parties are committed to closely coordinating theoretical algorithm development with practical technology transfer for execution on actual quantum hardware, ensuring a seamless transition from research to real-world application.

Strategic Significance and Outlook

The establishment of a sovereign quantum technology ecosystem in Thailand will significantly strengthen the country's scientific and technological capabilities and industrial base, creating new avenues for long-term economic growth. Through strategic international partnerships, Thailand can acquire vital quantum technology knowledge and expertise, potentially assuming a pivotal role as a regional hub for quantum innovation. The QMill-ÉTS collaboration, by delivering tangible industrial application examples for quantum computing, is expected to create ripple effects across various industrial sectors beyond energy. These parallel developments clearly indicate that quantum technology is evolving from a mere subject of academic research into a critical element in the global economy and geopolitics, signaling a continued surge in strategic investments and collaborative ventures by both governmental bodies and corporations worldwide.

Source: https://www.facebook.com/uncover.quantum/posts/thai-govt-joins-true-cp-group-and-private-sector-to-build-sovereign-quantum-tech/867295782071981/

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#39 IonQ Completes $1.8 Billion Acquisition of SkyWater Technology, Establishes Vertically Integrated Quantum Platform

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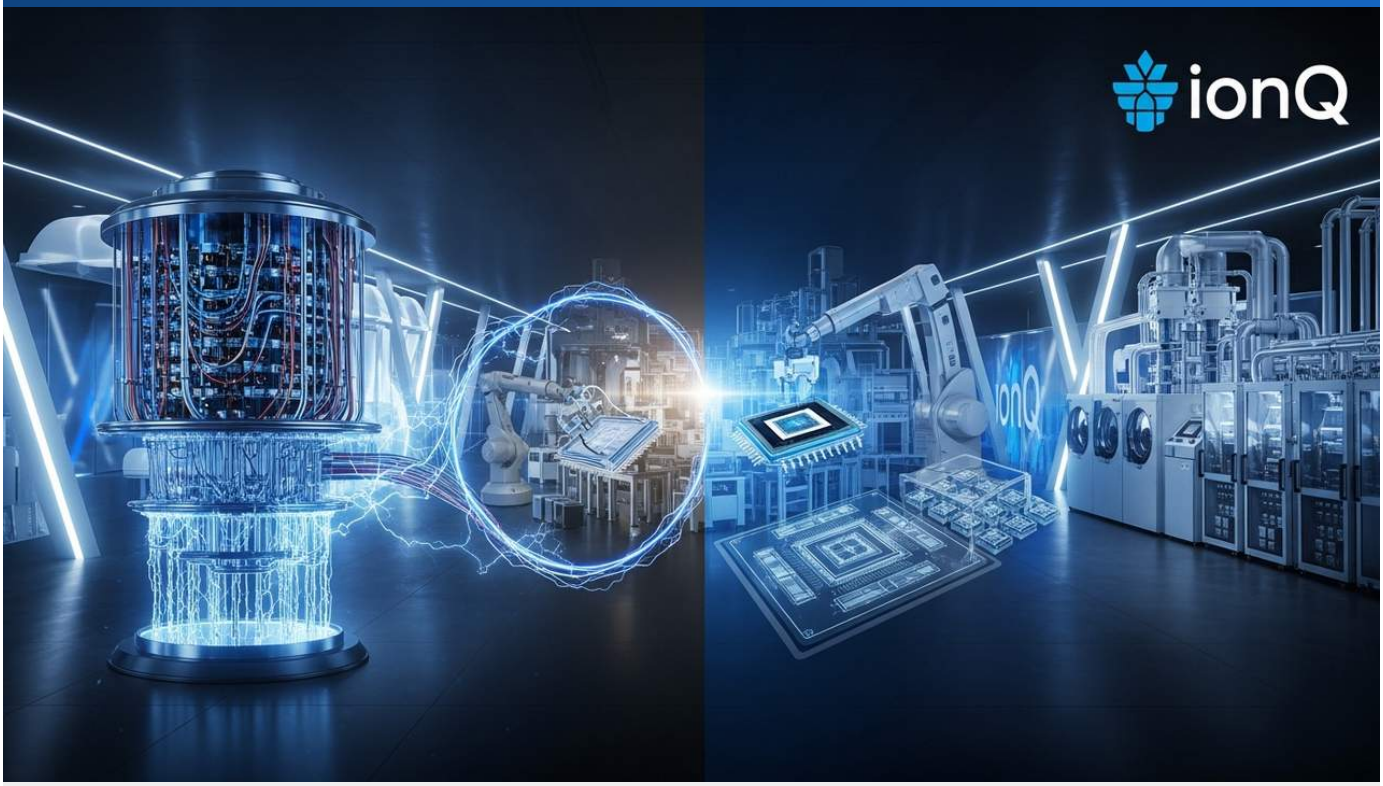

OVERVIEW

IonQ has finalized its $1.8 billion acquisition of U.S. semiconductor foundry SkyWater Technology, a move poised to create the industry's first vertically integrated, full-stack quantum platform. This strategic integration grants IonQ direct control over quantum chip manufacturing for itself and its customers, streamlining the supply chain and accelerating innovation. The acquisition significantly enhances IonQ's ability to optimize quantum processor performance, improve scalability, and reduce production costs.

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Key Findings

Quantum computing pioneer IonQ has officially completed its pivotal $1.8 billion acquisition of SkyWater Technology, a leading U.S. semiconductor foundry. This landmark transaction positions IonQ to become the first company in the quantum sector to achieve full vertical integration, encompassing the entire quantum computing stack from hardware manufacturing to software development. The strategic rationale is to gain unprecedented control over the production lifecycle of quantum processors, ensuring both quality and supply chain resilience.

Technical / Clinical Details

Under the terms of the acquisition, SkyWater Technology will operate as a wholly-owned subsidiary of IonQ, with its advanced semiconductor fabrication facilities becoming central to IonQ's quantum chip production. This integration allows IonQ to directly manage the design, development, and manufacturing of its trapped-ion quantum processors, enabling precise optimization for performance and scalability. The synergy between IonQ's sophisticated quantum architecture and SkyWater's manufacturing prowess is expected to yield higher-quality, more reliable quantum chips at increased volumes, thereby accelerating the commercialization timeline for practical quantum applications. This direct oversight of manufacturing processes is critical for iterative improvements and the reduction of quantum bit error rates.

Background & Context

Historically, quantum hardware companies have often relied on external foundries, leading to potential bottlenecks, intellectual property concerns, and limitations in process customization. IonQ's acquisition of SkyWater directly addresses these challenges by bringing critical manufacturing capabilities in-house. This move is particularly significant in the context of global supply chain vulnerabilities and the escalating competition within the quantum industry. By vertically integrating, IonQ aims to enhance its competitive advantage, secure its intellectual property, and deliver more robust and high-performing quantum solutions across computing, networking, sensing, and security domains. It also reflects a broader trend of mature technology companies seeking greater control over their core component production.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

This acquisition is set to reshape the quantum computing landscape, potentially prompting other quantum firms to consider similar vertical integration strategies to secure their manufacturing capabilities. Beyond serving its internal needs, IonQ may explore offering foundry services for quantum chip manufacturing to external clients in the future, further solidifying its position as a central player in the quantum ecosystem. The long-term implications include accelerated technological maturation, potential standardization of quantum hardware components, and a more robust supply chain that can support the widespread adoption of quantum technologies. This move significantly advances the path toward utility-scale, fault-tolerant quantum computers, making them more accessible and reliable for complex problem-solving.

Source: https://www.stocktitan.net/sec-filings/IONQ/8-k-ion-q-inc-reports-material-event-1e2df29a9b44.html

#40 ABQ-Net Quantum Network Launches in New Mexico with Roadrunner Venture Studios and Qunnect Funding to Accelerate Quantum Commercialization

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OVERVIEW

The ABQ-Net quantum network has officially launched in New Mexico, backed by funding from Roadrunner Venture Studios and Qunnect. This initiative provides open-access, entanglement-based quantum network infrastructure to local quantum startups and researchers, aiming to accelerate the commercialization of quantum technologies and attract top talent to the region. The network is a key part of public sector investment to foster a thriving quantum ecosystem.

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Key Findings

New Mexico has inaugurated the ABQ-Net quantum network, a groundbreaking initiative funded by Roadrunner Venture Studios and Qunnect, designed to propel quantum commercialization within the state. This network will offer open-access, entanglement-based quantum communication capabilities to local quantum startups and researchers, thereby fostering innovation and talent attraction in a critical emerging technology sector.

Technical / Clinical Details

The ABQ-Net operates as a state-of-the-art quantum communication infrastructure, capable of generating and maintaining quantum entanglement across multiple nodes. This capability is fundamental for developing a wide array of quantum applications, including highly secure quantum cryptographic systems, distributed quantum computing architectures, and ultra-precise quantum sensing technologies. A pivotal aspect of ABQ-Net is its open-access model, which democratizes access to advanced quantum networking resources. This approach allows smaller startups and academic research groups, who might otherwise lack the capital for proprietary quantum hardware, to utilize cutting-edge quantum communication environments. The network represents a significant step towards the realization of a global quantum internet, laying foundational elements for secure and distributed quantum information processing.

Background & Context

Quantum technology is globally recognized as a cornerstone for future scientific and technological advancement, attracting substantial strategic investments from governments and private entities worldwide. The U.S. government, through initiatives like the National Quantum Initiative (NQI), has been vigorously promoting quantum R&D and commercialization, and New Mexico is aligning with this national agenda. The state boasts a rich history in scientific research, hosting prominent institutions such as Los Alamos National Laboratory and Sandia National Laboratories. The establishment of ABQ-Net aims to integrate this existing research prowess with novel quantum technologies, stimulating regional economic growth and cultivating a robust quantum ecosystem. The involvement of venture capital firms like Roadrunner Venture Studios and quantum technology companies such as Qunnect highlights increasing private sector confidence and investment in the practical applications of quantum science.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

The ABQ-Net quantum network is poised to play a crucial role in establishing New Mexico as a leading hub for quantum technology development. By providing accessible infrastructure, it will catalyze diverse research projects and commercial applications, fostering the growth of new quantum startups. In the long term, there is potential for ABQ-Net to expand and integrate with national and international quantum networks, forming a vital component of a broader quantum internet. As quantum technologies mature and find broader adoption, the network is expected to unlock new business opportunities across various industries, including cybersecurity, healthcare, and logistics, by enabling unprecedented levels of data security and computational power. This initiative underscores a proactive strategy to maintain technological leadership and create a competitive advantage in the burgeoning quantum economy.

Source: https://grantedai.com/grants/abq-net-quantum-network-roadrunner-venture-studios-and-qunnect-0b7901e1

#41 DigiCert Releases Second Edition of 'Post-Quantum Cryptography For Dummies' to Guide NIST-Standard PQC Migration

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OVERVIEW

DigiCert unveiled the second edition of 'Post-Quantum Cryptography For Dummies' on July 30, 2026, offering practical guidance for implementing NIST-standard Post-Quantum Cryptography (PQC). This updated resource aims to safeguard modern digital infrastructure against future quantum computing threats. It provides essential information for organizations to plan and execute a smooth transition to PQC, thereby advancing global quantum readiness.

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Key Findings

DigiCert, a leading provider of digital trust, has released the second edition of its practical guide, 'Post-Quantum Cryptography For Dummies,' on July 30, 2026. This updated resource provides crucial guidance for businesses and organizations seeking to implement NIST-standard Post-Quantum Cryptography (PQC) solutions, ensuring the protection of contemporary digital infrastructure against the imminent threat posed by future quantum computers.

Technical / Clinical Details

The second edition focuses on the latest advancements in PQC and elaborates on specific algorithms standardized by NIST, such as CRYSTALS-Dilithium and CRYSTALS-Kyber. The guide comprehensively covers fundamental PQC concepts, explains how current public-key cryptosystems like RSA and elliptic curve cryptography are vulnerable to quantum attacks, and outlines the technical challenges and strategic approaches for PQC migration. Detailed sections address critical aspects, including the deployment of hybrid cryptographic schemes, updating key management systems, and the importance of robust certificate lifecycle management. This enables technical professionals to systematically acquire the necessary knowledge and procedural steps for effective PQC implementation.

Background & Context

The rapid progression of quantum computing poses an existential threat to the security protocols underpinning the internet and modern digital communications. Shor's algorithm, for instance, has the potential to efficiently break widely used public-key cryptography schemes, leading to a 'Y2Q problem' (Year 2 Quantum) that necessitates proactive measures. In response, the U.S. National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) has undertaken a multi-year process to standardize new cryptographic algorithms (PQC) that are resistant to quantum attacks. DigiCert's guide underscores that PQC migration, compliant with these NIST standards, is not merely a technical upgrade but an urgent organizational security imperative. Industries handling sensitive data, such as finance, government, and healthcare, are particularly pressed to accelerate their PQC transitions to mitigate significant data breach risks.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

The release of the second edition of 'Post-Quantum Cryptography For Dummies' serves as an invaluable resource for enterprises and government agencies embarking on their PQC migration planning and execution. It empowers security professionals to enhance their understanding of quantum threats and implement appropriate countermeasures. Through this guide, DigiCert aims to expedite the adoption and deployment of PQC, thereby fortifying the security of the global digital ecosystem. As more organizations transition to PQC, the security of digital communications, data storage, and online transactions will be significantly bolstered, establishing a resilient cybersecurity foundation for the quantum era. This proactive approach is essential for maintaining trust and integrity in a future dominated by advanced computational capabilities.

Source: https://www.globenewswire.com/news-release/2026/07/30/3336101/0/en/digicert-releases-second-edition-of-post-quantum-cryptography-for-dummies-amid-growing-quantum-readiness-demands.html

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#42 Booz Allen Announces $25,000 Grand Prize for Quantum Startup Pitch Competition to Accelerate Commercialization

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OVERVIEW

Booz Allen has announced a $25,000 grand prize for its 2026 Quantum Startup Pitch Competition, an initiative aimed at helping quantum startups translate scientific breakthroughs into practical applications. Scheduled for September, the competition seeks to connect promising quantum technologies with customers, capital, and partners, thereby accelerating the commercialization of quantum innovations. This significant incentive supports early-stage quantum ventures in overcoming critical funding challenges.

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Key Findings

Booz Allen, a leading strategy and technology consulting firm, has announced a $25,000 grand prize for its 2026 Quantum Startup Pitch Competition. This initiative is explicitly designed to empower emerging quantum companies to bridge the gap between scientific discovery and practical, market-ready applications, thereby accelerating the commercialization of cutting-edge quantum technologies.

Technical / Clinical Details

The competition targets a broad spectrum of quantum technologies, including quantum computing, quantum sensing, quantum communications, and post-quantum cryptography. Participating startups will present their technological innovations, business models, and go-to-market strategies to a panel of expert judges. The $25,000 grand prize is intended to serve as crucial seed funding for early-stage growth, supporting product development, market research, and business expansion. This financial injection is particularly valuable for quantum startups, which often face substantial capital requirements and prolonged development cycles. The competition, slated for September, will evaluate ventures based on criteria such as technological maturity, market potential, and the team's execution capabilities.

Background & Context

Quantum technology, with its immense disruptive potential, has attracted significant investments from governments and corporations worldwide. However, a major challenge remains in traversing the 'valley of death' from fundamental research to successful commercialization. Quantum startups, in particular, often struggle with securing adequate funding due to the highly specialized nature of the technology, extended development timelines, and the sheer scale of initial investment required. Initiatives like the one from Booz Allen, a major consulting firm with deep ties to government and industry, play a vital role in stimulating the overall growth of the quantum ecosystem and fostering new innovation. This aligns with broader governmental and corporate efforts to facilitate the real-world deployment of quantum technologies.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

This quantum startup pitch competition provides a critical platform for promising quantum ventures to secure not only funding but also access to customers and strategic partnerships. The grand prize winner will benefit from financial support and invaluable access to Booz Allen's extensive network and expertise, which can significantly accelerate their business growth. This, in turn, is expected to further catalyze the commercialization of quantum technologies, leading to the emergence of transformative applications in sectors such as AI, healthcare, finance, and defense. The success of such competitions also serves as an important signal, encouraging more investors and entrepreneurs to enter the quantum domain, thereby contributing to the sector's continued development and maturation on a global scale.

Source: https://quantumzeitgeist.com/booz-allen-announcement-prize-quantums-next/

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#43 wolfSSL Achieves FIPS 140-3 Level 3 Validation for Post-Quantum Cryptography in Satellite Systems, Enabling CNSA 2.0 Compliance

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OVERVIEW

wolfSSL has announced significant advancements in Post-Quantum Cryptography (PQC) and the extension of its FIPS 140-3 Level 3 validated crypto modules to satellite systems. This innovation aims to support high-assurance satellite communication hardware and facilitate compliance with CNSA 2.0 against future quantum threats. This move substantially bolsters the cybersecurity posture of critical space-based infrastructure, mitigating risks from quantum attacks.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

wolfSSL has unveiled critical advancements in its Post-Quantum Cryptography (PQC) solutions and announced a roadmap for extending its FIPS 140-3 Level 3 validated cryptographic modules to satellite systems. This initiative is designed to bolster the security of high-assurance satellite communication infrastructure, ensuring compliance with the Commercial National Security Algorithm Suite 2.0 (CNSA 2.0) and providing robust protection against future quantum computing-driven threats.

Technical / Clinical Details

wolfSSL has integrated NIST-standardized PQC algorithms into its lightweight and high-performance TLS/SSL library, specifically supporting cryptographic suites such as CRYSTALS-Dilithium and CRYSTALS-Kyber. FIPS 140-3 Level 3 validation signifies that the cryptographic modules meet stringent standards for both physical and logical security, making them indispensable for sensitive government and defense applications. The announced plans involve extending wolfSSL's FIPS-validated technology to satellite communication hardware. This means enabling quantum-secure encryption for inter-satellite links, communications with ground stations, and in-satellite data processing. Such implementation will drastically reduce the risk of data breaches and eavesdropping, thereby ensuring the operational continuity and integrity of mission-critical satellite systems. The robust validation confirms the modules' resistance to tampering and secure handling of cryptographic keys.

Background & Context

Space-based infrastructure, particularly satellite systems, plays an indispensable role in national security, global economic activities, and everyday life. However, these systems are increasingly vulnerable to sophisticated cyberattacks and the impending threat of cryptographic compromise by quantum computers. Recognizing this, the U.S. National Security Agency (NSA) has developed CNSA 2.0 guidelines, advocating for a transition to post-quantum cryptographic algorithms to mitigate risks posed by quantum adversaries. FIPS 140-3 is a critical standard that defines security requirements for cryptographic modules used by federal agencies, with Level 3 representing a high level of assurance. wolfSSL's proactive approach addresses this national security imperative, significantly enhancing the cyber resilience of the space sector against the coming quantum era.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

The deployment of wolfSSL's FIPS 140-3 Level 3 validated PQC in satellite systems sets a new benchmark for cybersecurity in the space industry. This enables critical satellite infrastructure, including military, intelligence, and GPS systems, to proactively strengthen their security posture ahead of the advent of large-scale quantum computers. Commercial satellite operators will also be incentivized to adopt similar PQC solutions to protect customer data and enhance service reliability. This technological advancement is expected to accelerate further research, development, and standardization of post-quantum cryptography, ultimately contributing to the establishment of quantum-secure environments across a wide range of embedded and enterprise systems globally, ensuring the long-term integrity and confidentiality of digital communications in the age of quantum computing.

Source: https://www.prweb.com/releases/wolfssl-advances-post-quantum-encryption-and-fips-140-3-across-embedded-and-enterprise-systems-to-facilitate-cnsa-2-0-compliance-302840890.html

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#44 U.S. Department of Commerce Invests Over $2 Billion in Quantum Computing via CHIPS and Science Act, Bolstering Domestic Manufacturing

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OVERVIEW

The U.S. Department of Commerce announced an investment exceeding $2 billion into domestic quantum computing through the CHIPS and Science Act. This substantial funding targets accelerated R&D and enhanced domestic manufacturing capabilities, supporting GlobalFoundries and IBM in establishing quantum foundries. Additionally, Quantinuum and Infleqtion will receive funds to advance their respective quantum technologies, aiming to solidify U.S. leadership in the quantum ecosystem.

IN DEPTH

Key Findings

The U.S. Department of Commerce has committed over $2 billion in investments for domestic quantum computing, leveraging the CHIPS and Science Act. This significant financial allocation is designed to accelerate research and development (R&D) and substantially enhance manufacturing capabilities within the United States. Key beneficiaries include GlobalFoundries and IBM, which will establish quantum foundry operations, and leading quantum companies Quantinuum and Infleqtion, poised to advance their innovative quantum technologies.

Technical / Clinical Details

The investment exceeding $2 billion aims to establish a comprehensive domestic supply chain for quantum chip design and manufacturing. GlobalFoundries and IBM are expected to significantly boost the production capacity of high-performance, scalable quantum processors by developing quantum foundries that adapt cutting-edge semiconductor manufacturing techniques to quantum computing. Quantinuum, renowned for its trapped-ion quantum computers, will likely accelerate hardware performance improvements and system scaling with this funding. Infleqtion, specializing in neutral atom-based quantum technology, will advance the commercialization of its quantum sensing, networking, and computing solutions. These investments are critical for tackling fundamental technical challenges such as developing more robust error correction codes, improving qubit stability, and generally progressing towards the practical realization of large-scale, fault-tolerant quantum computers.

Background & Context

Quantum computing holds the potential to revolutionize diverse sectors, including drug discovery, materials science, financial modeling, and cryptography. To secure a leading position against global competitors, particularly China, in this strategically vital technological domain, the U.S. government enacted the CHIPS and Science Act, earmarking substantial investments for the semiconductor industry and advanced technologies. The current investment in quantum computing not only supports R&D but critically aims to build a robust domestic manufacturing base, thereby mitigating supply chain vulnerabilities and national security risks. This comprehensive approach is designed to bolster the resilience and competitiveness of the entire U.S. quantum ecosystem, reducing reliance on foreign production and intellectual property.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

The U.S. Department of Commerce's investment of over $2 billion is expected to provide a significant impetus to the American quantum computing industry. It will foster enhanced collaboration among research institutions, startups, and established technology giants, accelerating the pace of innovation. Establishing domestic manufacturing capabilities will contribute to reducing the cost of quantum hardware and stabilizing supply, which in turn will facilitate the broader adoption of quantum computing technologies. In the long term, this investment is projected to fast-track the development of next-generation quantum computers, leading to accelerated drug development, discovery of novel materials, and realization of more secure communication systems, benefiting society at large. Through this strategic investment, the U.S. aims to solidify its position as a global leader in quantum technology and secure its economic and national security future.

Source: https://www.photonics.com/Articles/US-Commits-2B-to-Quantum-Computing-Across/a72265

#45 U.S. Government Advances National Quantum Strategy Through Executive Orders on Quantum Innovation and Post-Quantum Cryptography

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OVERVIEW

The U.S. government is actively promoting a national agenda for Quantum Information Science and Technology (QIST) commercialization, deployment, and security through a series of executive orders issued on June 22, 2026. These orders include the Quantum Computing Applications Development and Discovery Science (QC-ADDS) initiative, accelerating federal efforts to develop utility-scale quantum computers and fortify the quantum supply chain. This strategic push aims to solidify U.S. leadership in quantum technology.

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Key Findings

The U.S. government has reportedly intensified its national agenda for Quantum Information Science and Technology (QIST) commercialization, deployment, and security through a series of executive orders issued on June 22, 2026. These directives underscore a concerted effort to accelerate the development of practical quantum computers and strengthen the quantum supply chain, aiming to cement the United States' leadership in the burgeoning field of quantum technology.

Technical / Clinical Details

A key component of these executive orders is the Quantum Computing Applications Development and Discovery Science (QC-ADDS) initiative. This program is designed to foster the development of quantum algorithms and their real-world applications across critical sectors such as pharmaceuticals, materials science, finance, and national defense. Concurrently, strengthening the quantum supply chain involves nurturing domestic production capabilities for essential quantum components, thereby reducing vulnerabilities. This includes supporting the domestic manufacturing of advanced materials and components vital for quantum technologies, such as superconducting circuits, specialized lasers, and high-purity qubits. Furthermore, a significant pillar of the orders is the directive to accelerate the transition to Post-Quantum Cryptography (PQC), providing a strategic framework to protect sensitive U.S. data and communications from the looming threat of existing cryptographic systems being compromised by future quantum computers.

Background & Context

QIST is recognized globally as a pivotal technology for future economic growth and national security, prompting an intense international race for development. Nations like China are heavily investing in quantum technologies, making it a critical imperative for the U.S. government to secure its advantage in this domain, particularly from a national security perspective. These executive orders aim to enhance the overall efficiency and competitiveness of the U.S. quantum ecosystem by clearly delineating a roadmap from fundamental research to commercialization and eventual societal implementation. This collaborative approach involving research institutions, industry, and government agencies is crucial for translating scientific breakthroughs into tangible products and services, bridging the 'valley of death' for nascent quantum technologies.

Strategic Significance & Outlook

These executive orders establish a crucial legal and policy foundation for accelerating quantum technology development in the United States. The emphasis on the QC-ADDS initiative is expected to expedite the creation of practical quantum computing applications, fostering innovation across various industrial sectors. Strengthening the quantum supply chain will contribute to long-term technological self-reliance and national security. The directive on PQC migration is paramount as a preventative measure against future cybersecurity threats, enhancing the resilience of critical digital infrastructure. This comprehensive national endeavor is poised to ensure that the United States maintains its technological leadership in the quantum era, contributing to global security and prosperity by pioneering transformative quantum solutions.

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