

# Integrating quantum computers in HPC infrastructures

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# The potential of quantum computing

**Science & Industry:**  
Diverse user group with  
various hard  
computational challenges  
to unravel complex  
systems

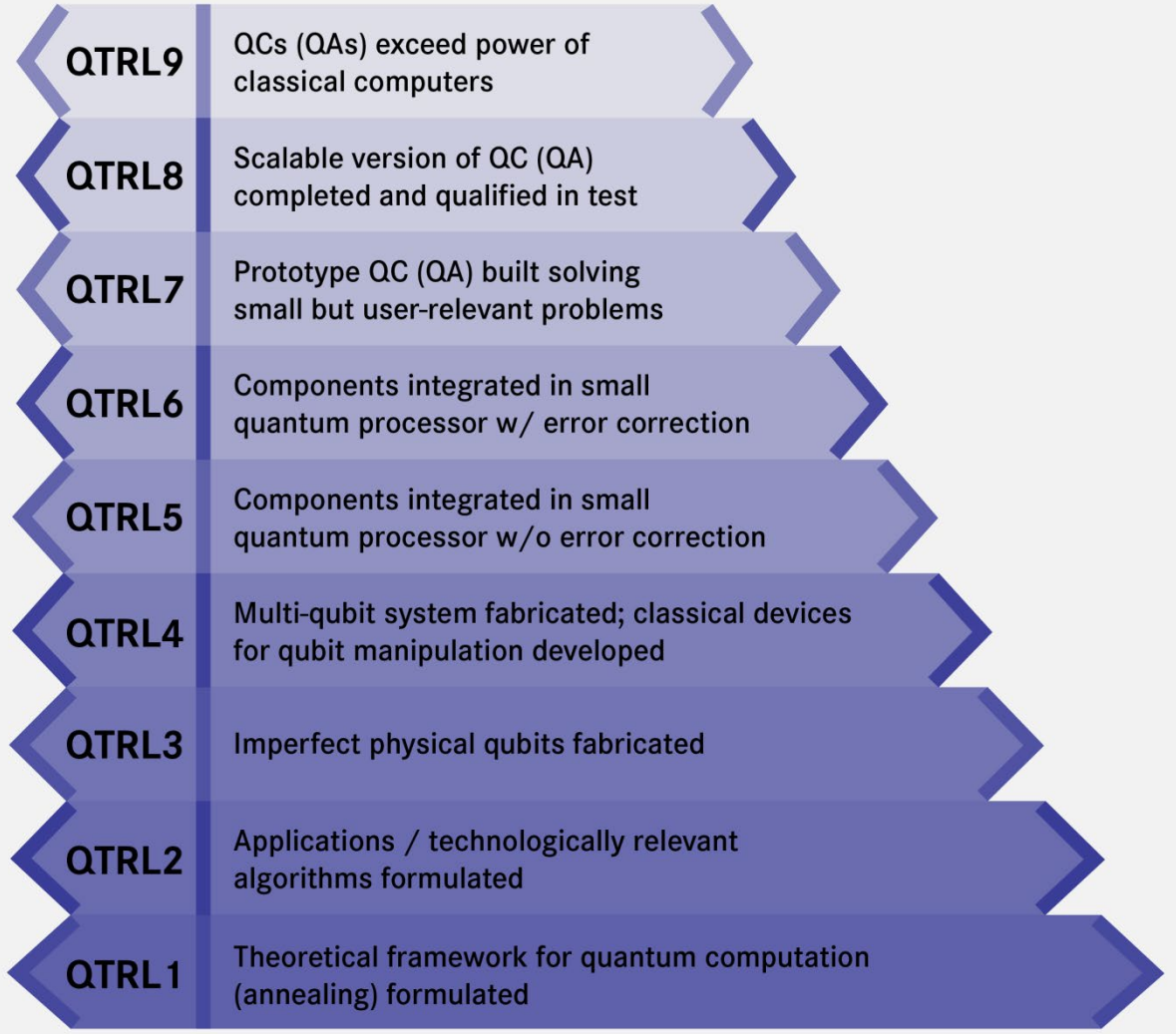
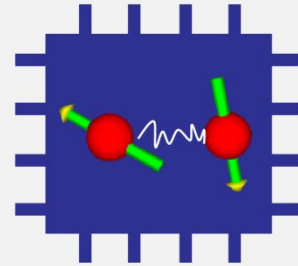




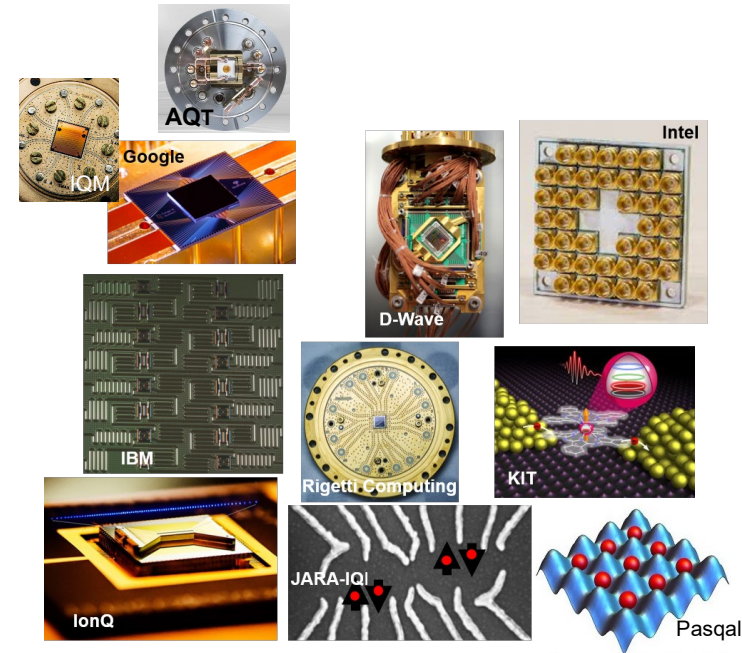
# Quantum Technology Readiness Levels

## QTRL

Quantum Technology Readiness Levels describing the maturity of Quantum Computing Technology



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# Quantum Technology Readiness Levels

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QTRL9

QCs (QAs) exceed power of classical computers

QTRL8

Scalable version of QC (QA) completed and qualified in test

QTRL7

Prototype QC (QA) built solving small but user-relevant problems

QTRL6

Components integrated in small quantum processor w/ error correction

**Huge challenge and opportunity: Practical quantum computing**

→ Development of **prototype applications and use cases** for quantum simulators, quantum computers and quantum annealers

QTRL3

Imperfect physical qubits fabricated

QTRL2

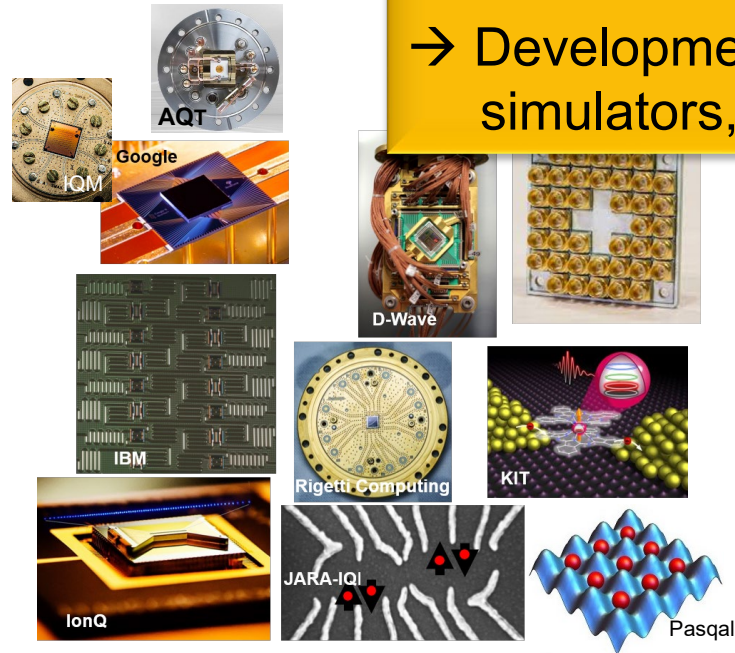
Applications / technologically relevant algorithms formulated

QTRL1

Theoretical framework for quantum computation (annealing) formulated

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# High performance & Quantum Computers

linked, to solve problems optimally

High Performance  
Computers

HPC simulations of  
quantum computing /  
annealing devices



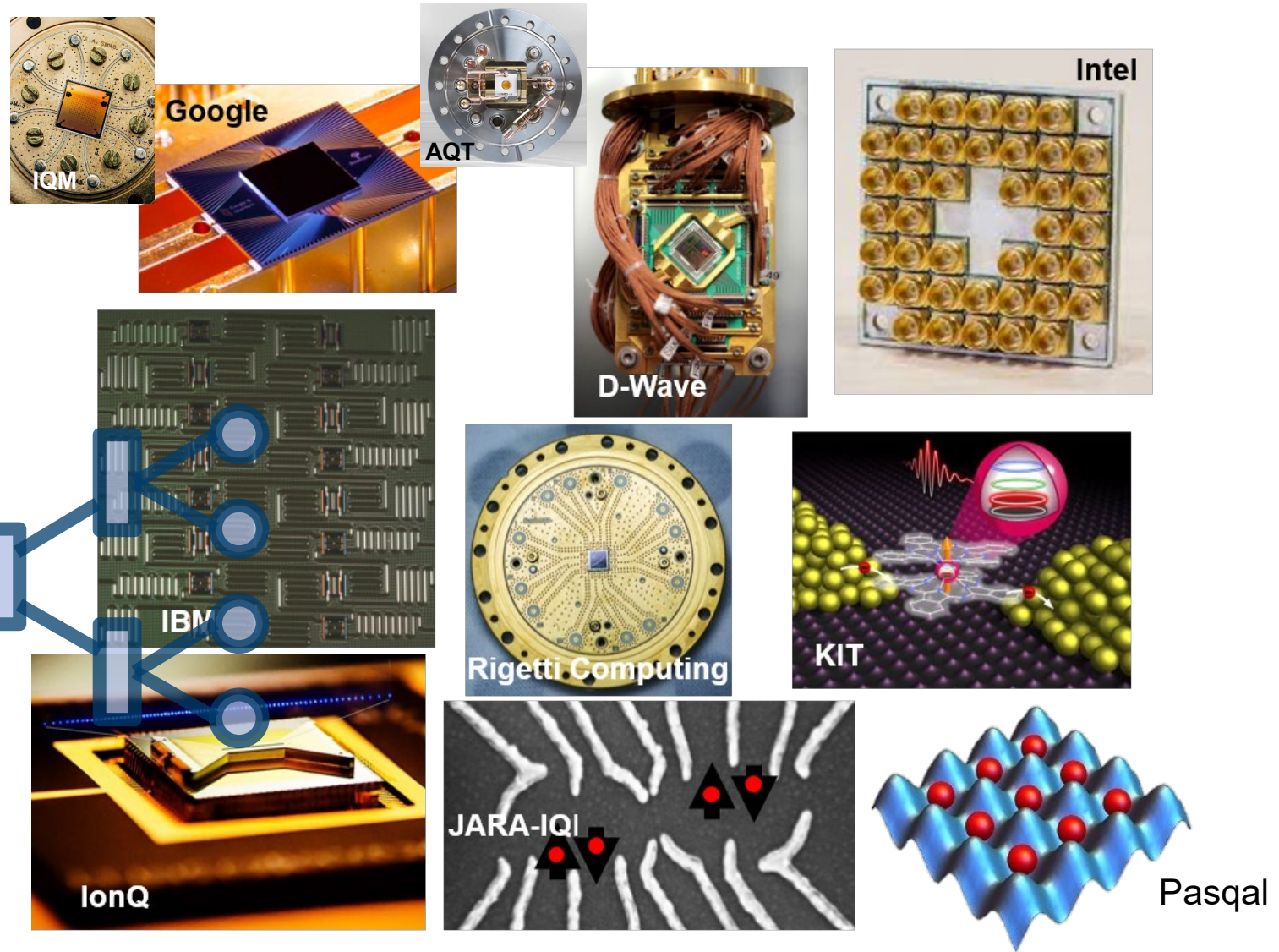
Quantum Computers &  
Annealers

Understanding –  
Design –  
Benchmarking

(Hybrid) simulations for  
applications



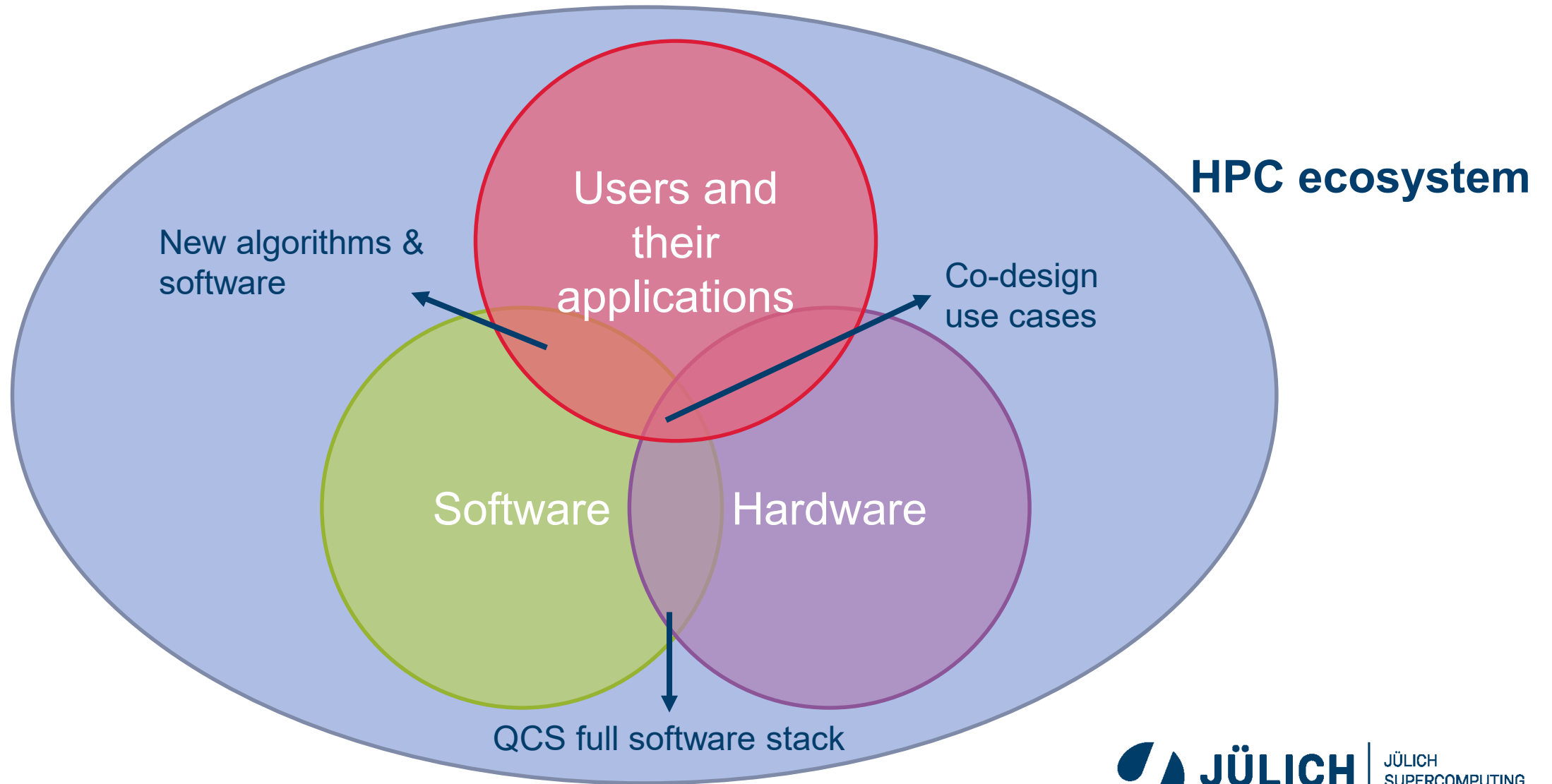
## HPC systems



## Quantum computers and simulators (QCS)



# HPC-QCS integration



# Hybrid quantum-classical computing systems

for the realization of the full potential of quantum computing

- **Hybrid quantum-classical algorithms**

- Variational Quantum Eigensolver – **VQE**: quantum chemistry
- Quantum Approximate Optimization Algorithm – **QAOA**: optimization
- Quantum Support Vector Machine – **qSVM**: classification and clustering
- Classic workflows with potential quantum content?



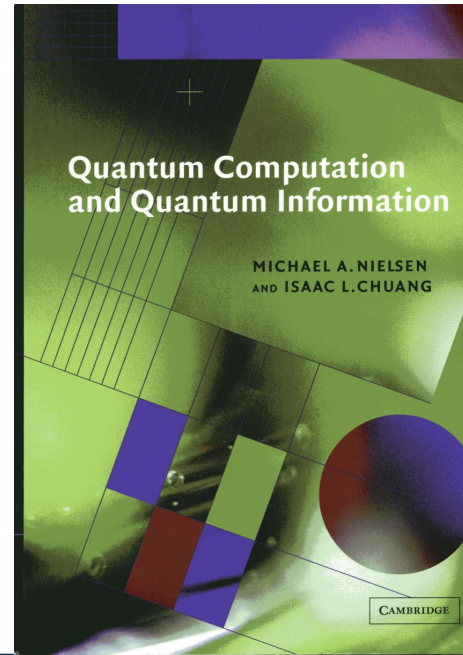
**Proper benchmarking  
& implementation  
on real devices**

- **Hybrid quantum-classical hardware**



**Latencies & execution times**



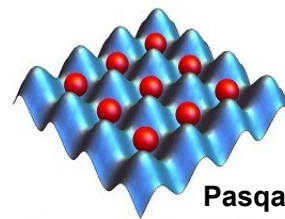
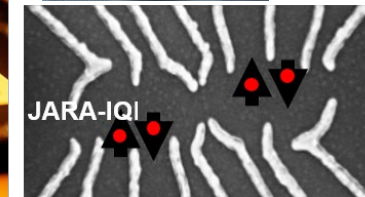
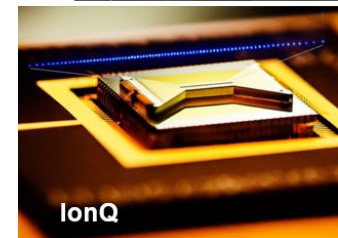
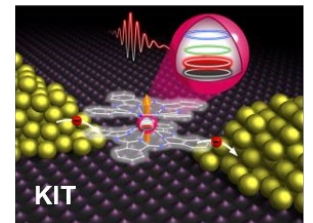
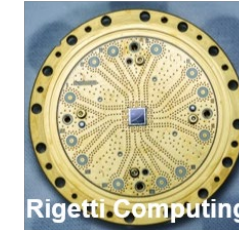
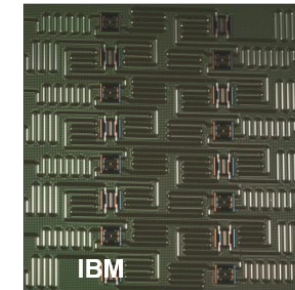
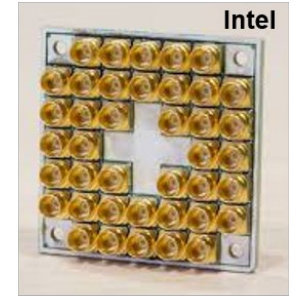
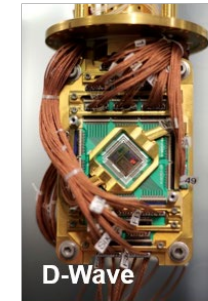
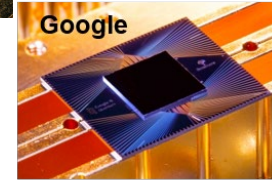
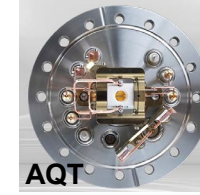
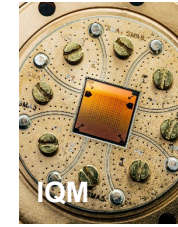


# GATE-BASED QUANTUM COMPUTER EMULATION: PEN-AND-PAPER (PAP) VERSION

# Quantum computers

It is important to have theoretical tools to:

- validate **designs** of physically realizable quantum processors
- investigate the **implementation and performance of quantum algorithms** on physically realizable quantum computers





# Quantum Computer & Quantum algorithm

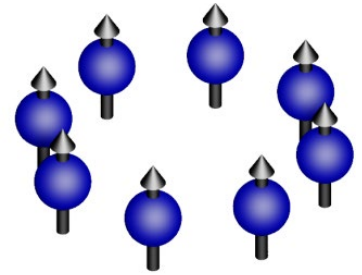
- **Quantum computer**

- System with 1 qubit  $\equiv$  system with 1 spin-1/2 particle

$$|\psi\rangle = a_0|0\rangle + a_1|1\rangle \quad ; \quad |a_0|^2 + |a_1|^2 = 1 \quad (a_0, a_1 \in \mathbb{C})$$

- System with  $N$  **qubits**  $\equiv$  system with  $N$  spin-1/2 particles

$$|\psi\rangle = a(0 \cdots 00)|0\rangle_{N-1} \cdots |0\rangle_1 |0\rangle_0 + \cdots + a(1 \cdots 11)|1\rangle_{N-1} \cdots |1\rangle_1 |1\rangle_0$$



→  $|\psi\rangle$  can be represented as a **vector of length  $2^N$** , containing all **complex amplitudes  $a$**

- **Quantum algorithm = sequence of quantum gates** (elementary operations) that are described by a unitary (sparse) matrix and change the state  $|\psi\rangle$  of the quantum processor

# 2007 – 2017: Jülich UNIVERSAL Quantum Computer Simulator (JUQCS – E)

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K. De Raedt, K. Michielsen, H. De Raedt, B. Trieu, G. Arnold, M. Richter, Th. Lippert, H. Watanabe, N. Ito, *Massively Parallel Quantum Computer Simulator*, Comput. Phys. Commun.176, 121 - 136 (2007)

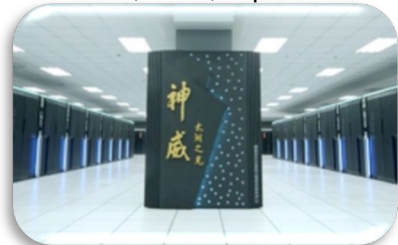
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- Represent a quantum state with 16 bytes  $\rightarrow N$  qubits requires at least  $2^{N+4}$  bytes of memory



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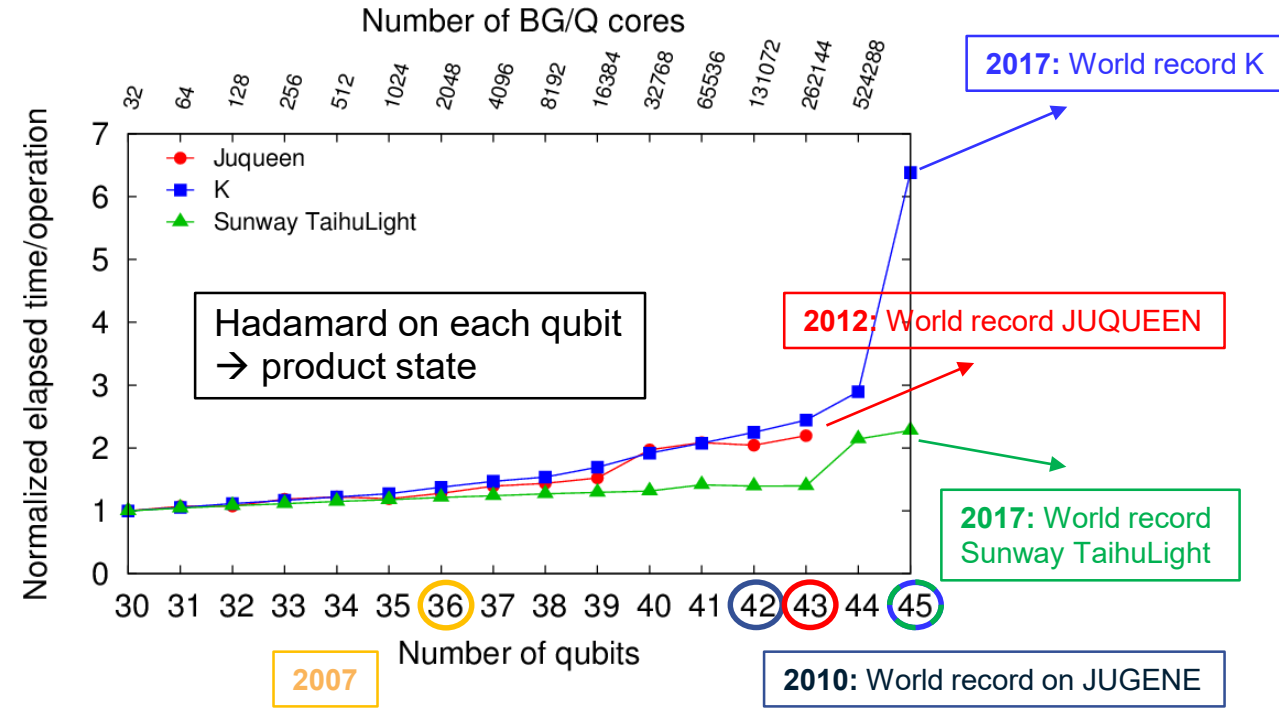


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N	Memory
24	256 MB
36	1 TB
45	0.5 PB
46	1 PB



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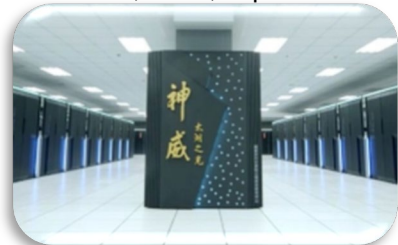
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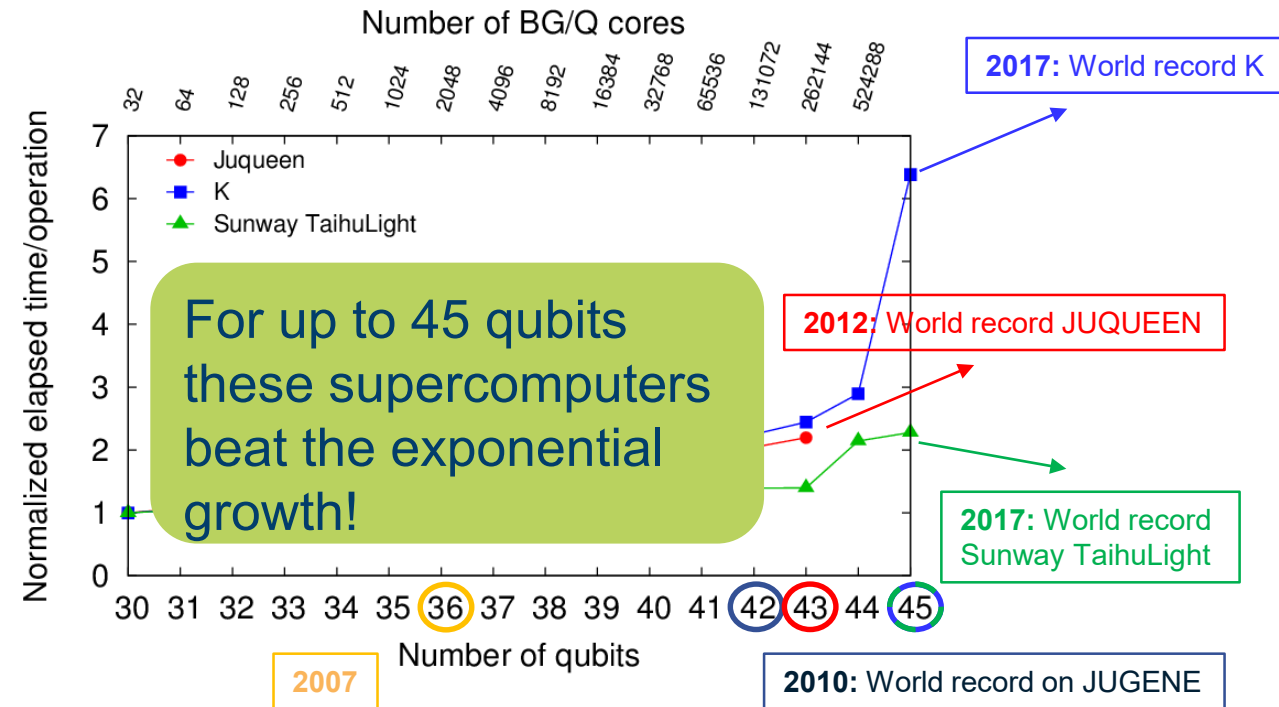


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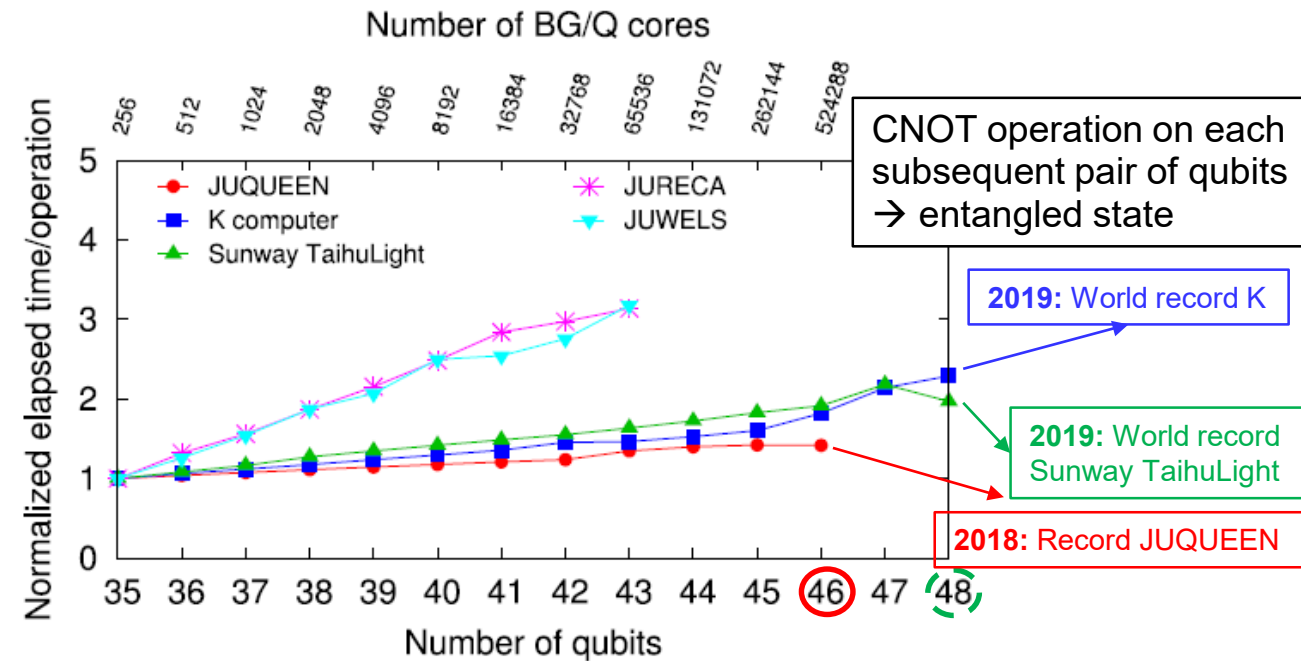
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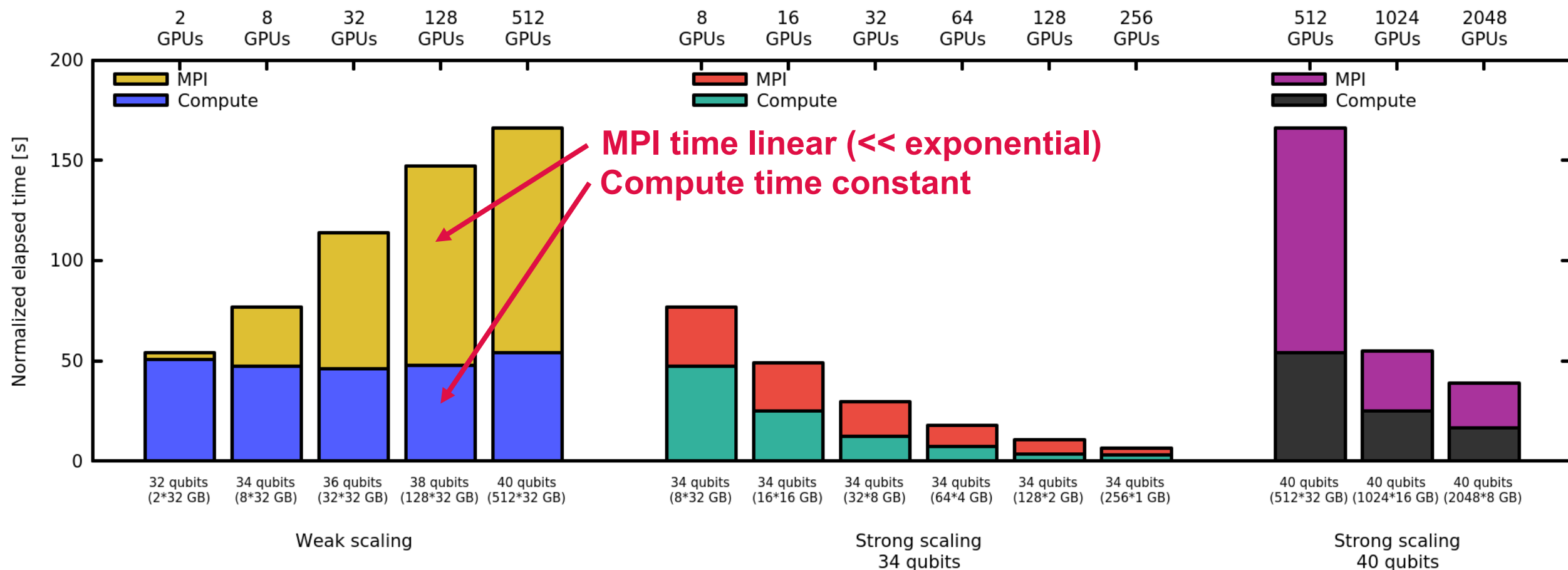
- $N$  qubits  $\rightarrow |\psi\rangle$  is a superposition of  $2^N$  basis states
- Represent a quantum state with 2 bytes  $\rightarrow N$  qubits requires at least  $2^{N+1}$  bytes of memory  $\rightarrow$  new world record

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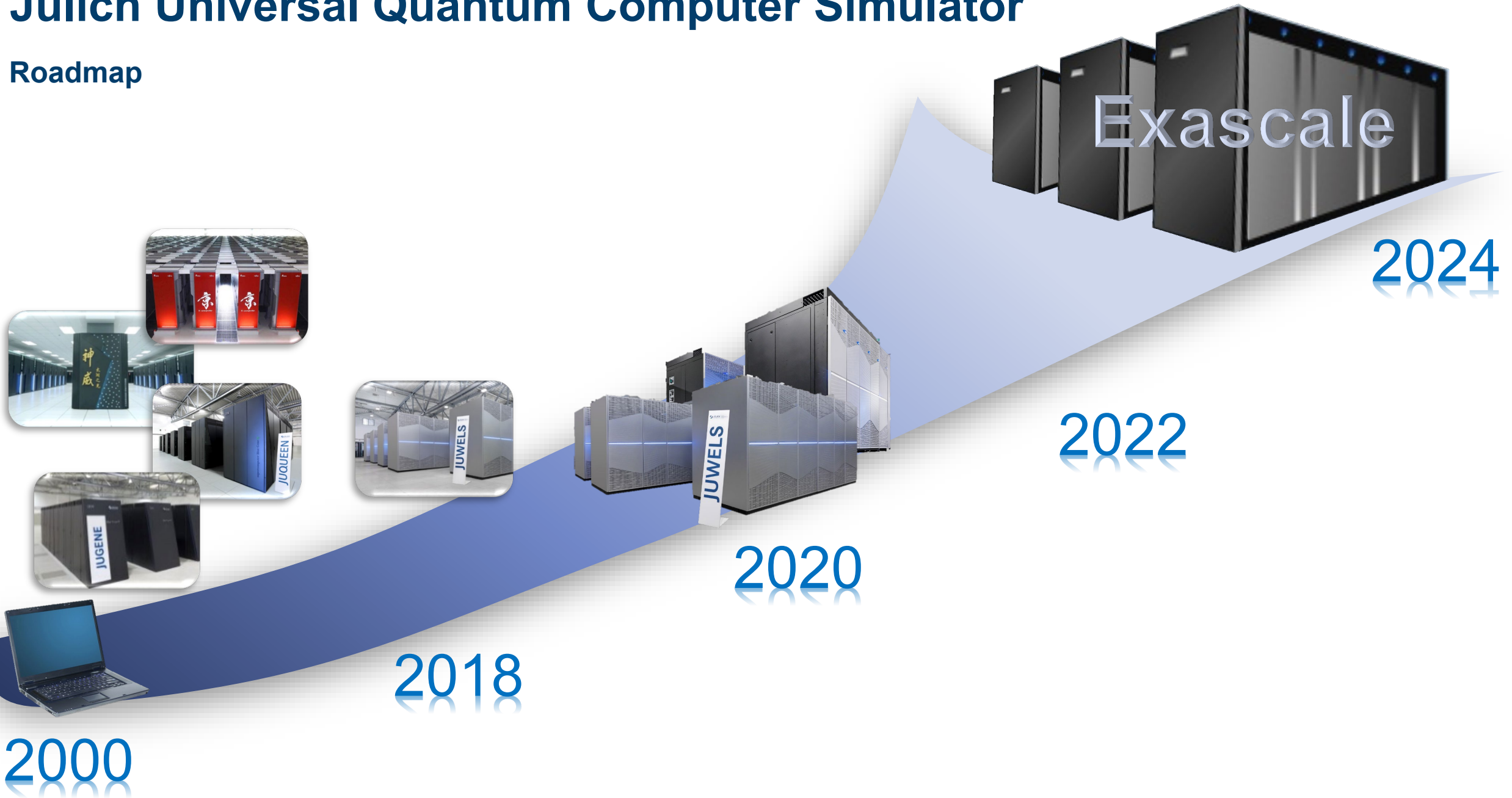
# 2020 – 2022: JUQCS – G

## Weak and strong scaling result



# Jülich Universal Quantum Computer Simulator

## Roadmap





# OPTIMIZATION: QAOA

# Tail Assignment Problem

- Airlines: 1000 flights per day to over 150 cities in over 70 countries, using hundreds of aircraft of different types
- Costs associated with aircraft and flight crew are the most significant costs
- Tail assignment problem: describes a mathematical optimization model that when solved can provide airlines with efficient plans for how to use their aircraft



# Tail Assignment

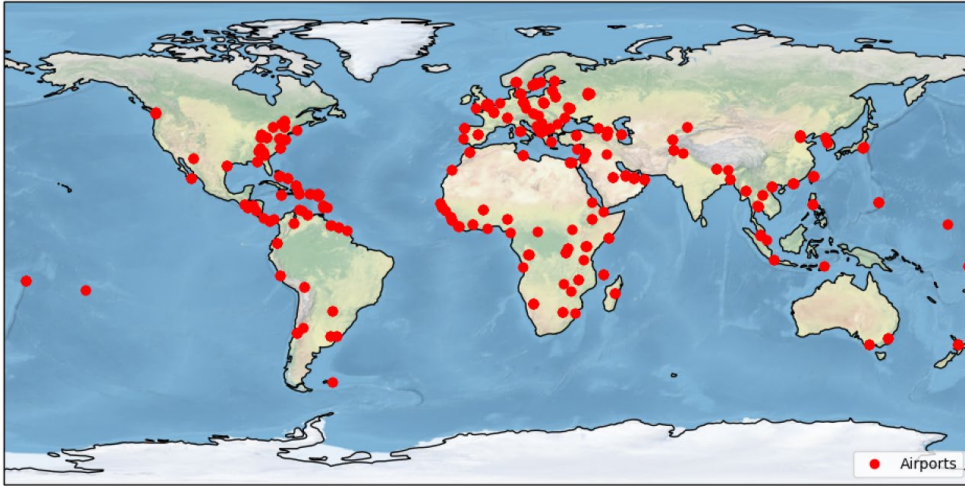
## Reduced problem instances

- Exact-cover problems: series of realistic problem instances obtained by random sampling from a real-world data set with up to 40 routes
- Example: Given are 40 routes, each of which contains several out of 472 flights. Find routes to carry out 472 flights between airports so that routes not overlap  
→ problem with **40 qubits (routes)**
  - The problem instance has the unique **ground state (solution)**  
 $|0000000001010010011001000001000000000110\rangle$
  - The ground state contains nine 1's → the solution consists of **nine routes**
  - Each route is assigned to an aircraft
  - All other states represent invalid solutions, in the sense that not all 472 flights are covered exactly once

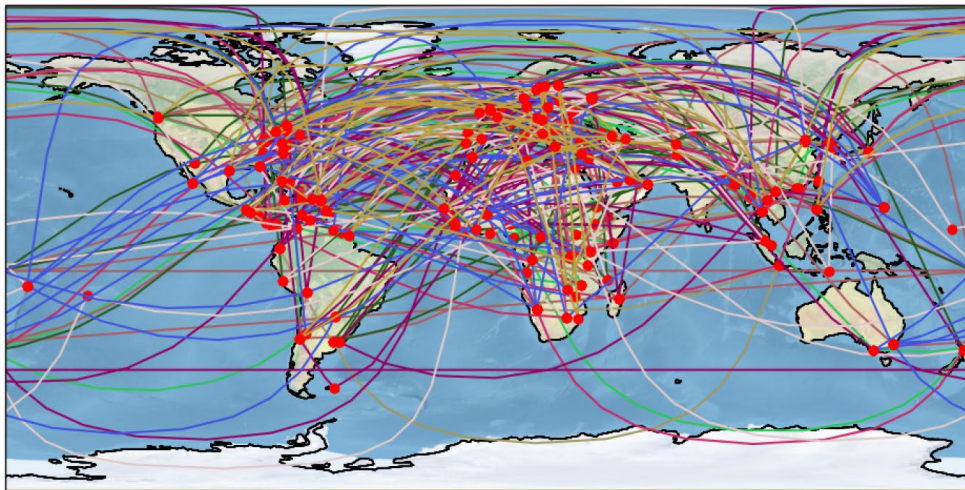


# Tail Assignment

40-qubit problem



Airports



472 flights between the airports that have to be performed

Unique solution with 9 routes covering the 472 flights exactly once

# Tail assignment: Quantum Approximate Optimization Algorithm

Jülich Universal Quantum Computer Simulator – JUQCS - G

Variational quantum algorithm  
(**hybrid** algorithm)

- a) **Quantum algorithm** to iteratively apply a series of parametrized unitary transformations to a quantum register and evaluate its **energy expectation value**
- b) **Classical optimization algorithm** to optimize the parameters of the unitary transformations

GPUs of JUWELS Booster  
→ QPUs



CPUs of JUWELS Booster

JUQCS

De Raedt et al., CPC **176**, 121 (2007)

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Simplified tail assignment problem



Assign aircrafts to flights – minimize overall cost respecting operational constraints

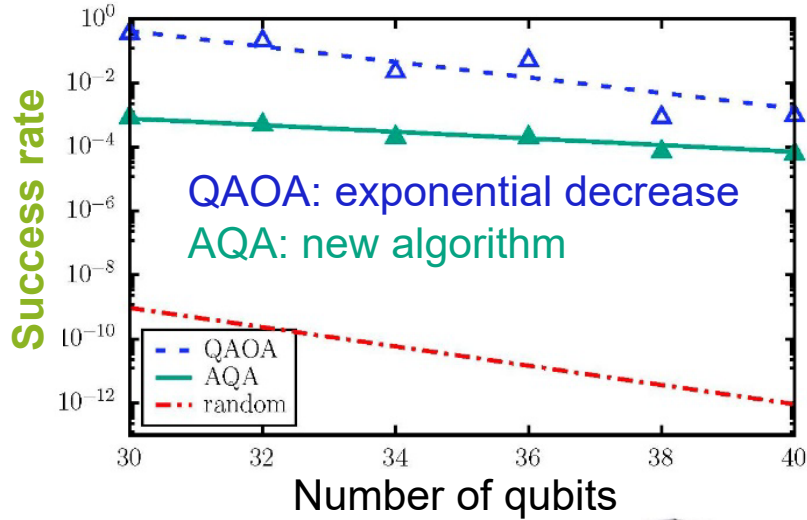
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→ problem with **40 qubits**

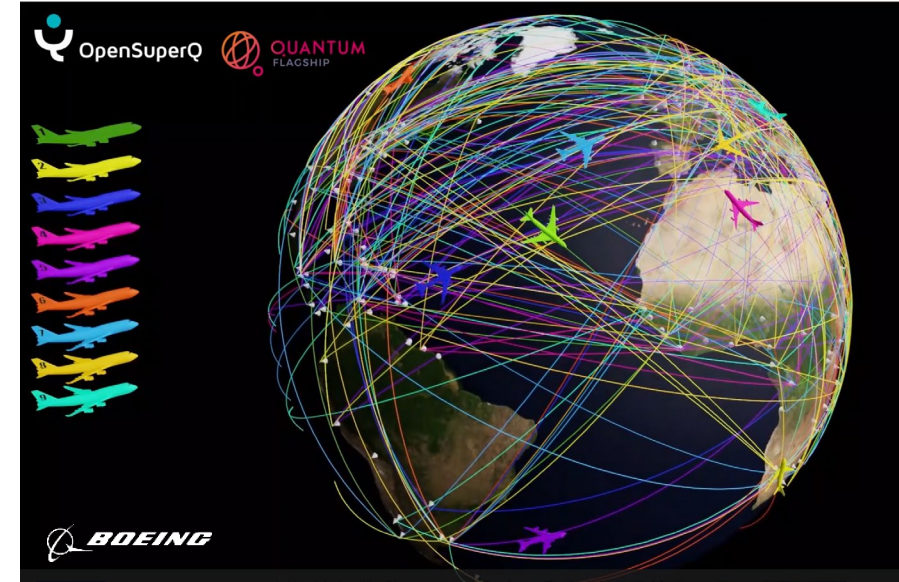


# Simplified Tail Assignment Problem

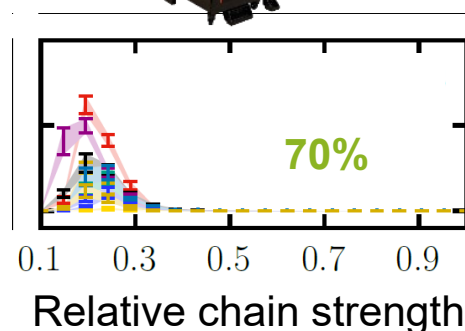
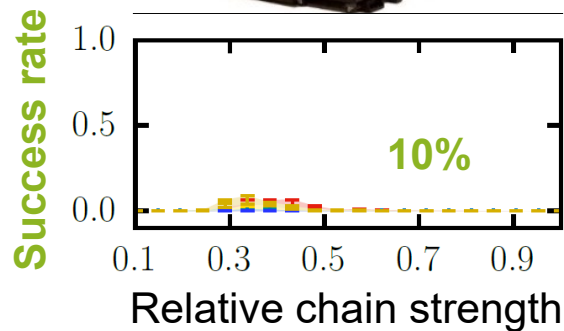
## Benchmarking and Algorithm Development



JUQCS on JUWELS @JSC  
→ Ideal digital QPU



## Quantum annealer

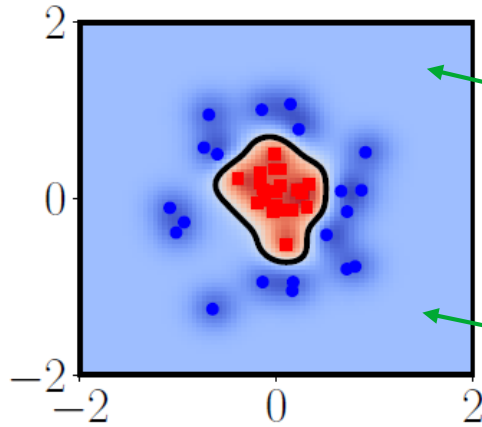


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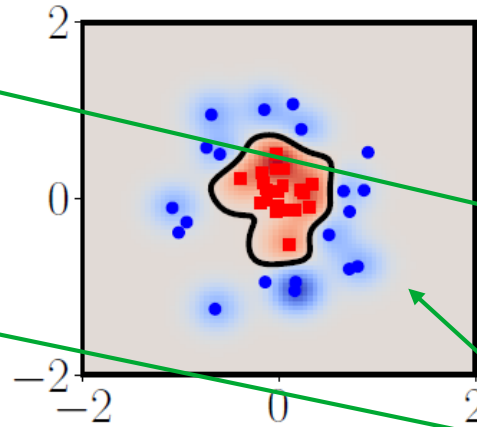


# CLASSIFICATION: qSVM

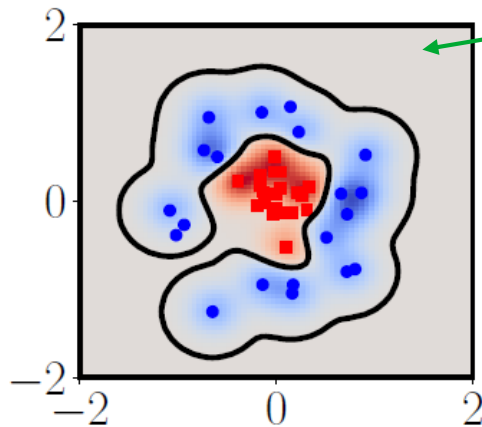
(a) cSVM



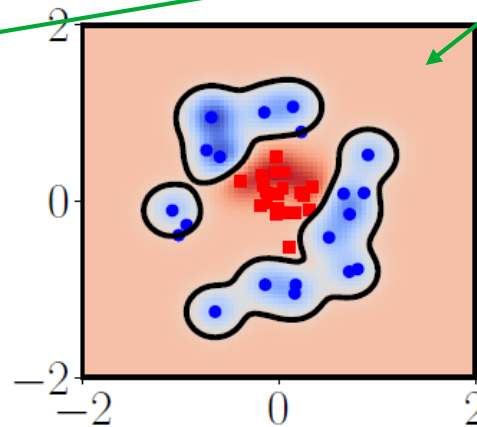
(b) qSVM#1



(c) qSVM#6



(d) qSVM#16



## Visualization of the classifiers

➤ Classical SVM (**cSVM**): global minimum, but only for **training data**

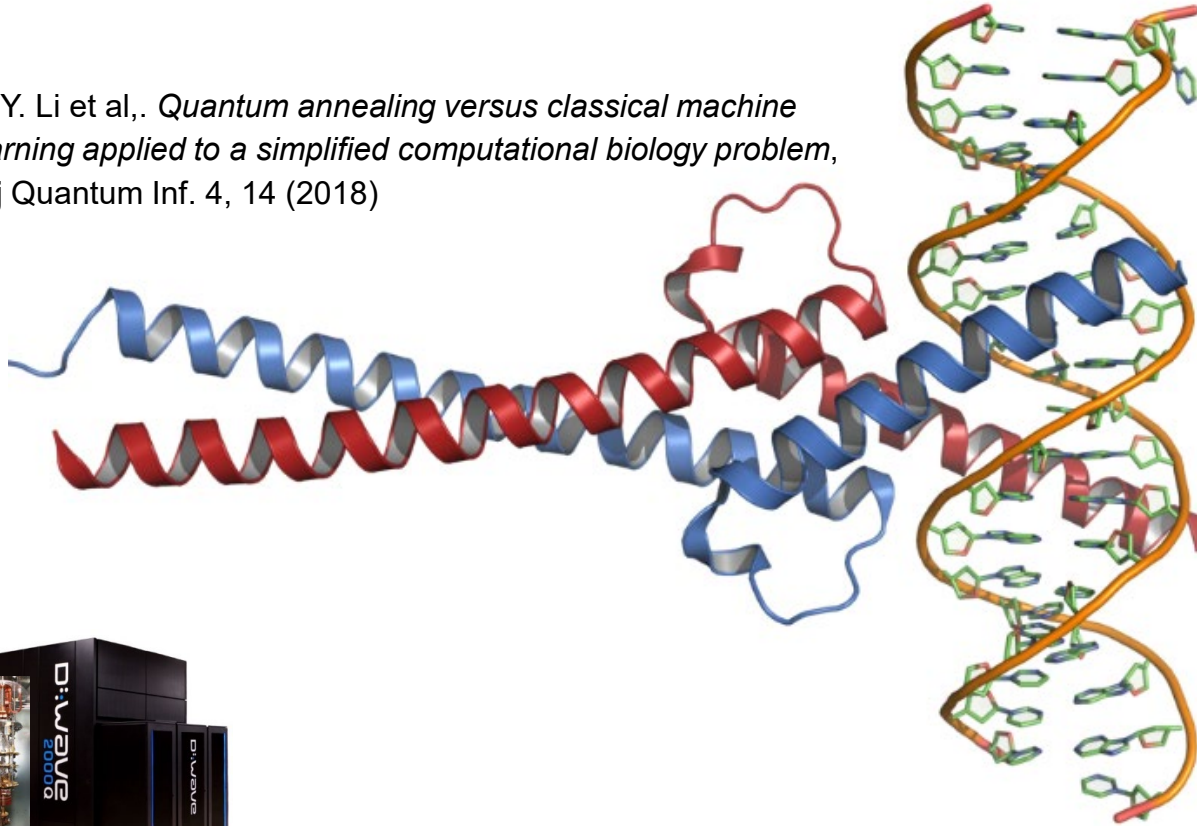
➤ Quantum SVM (**qSVM**): additional higher-energy classifiers from **ensemble of solutions**

Combination of qSVM classifiers might generalize better to unseen data

# PROTEIN-DNA BINDING

## Classification (machine learning)

R. Y. Li et al., *Quantum annealing versus classical machine learning applied to a simplified computational biology problem*, npj Quantum Inf. 4, 14 (2018)



D. Willsch et al., *Support vector machines on the D-Wave quantum annealer*, Comp. Phys. Comm. 248, 107006 (2020)

1. qSVM on a D-Wave quantum annealer (**hybrid** workflow) can produce significantly stronger classifiers than cSVM for the same little training data and parameters
2. qSVM performs better or comparative to cSVM for all datasets

# Machine Learning for Earth Observation

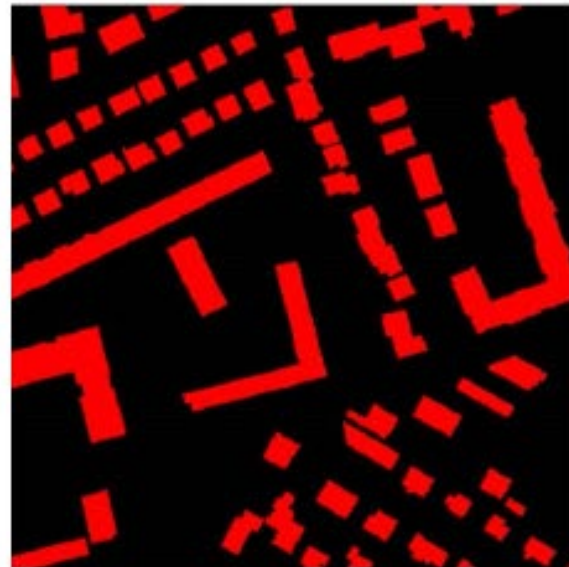
## Classification of Remote Sensing Multispectral Images with Quantum SVM



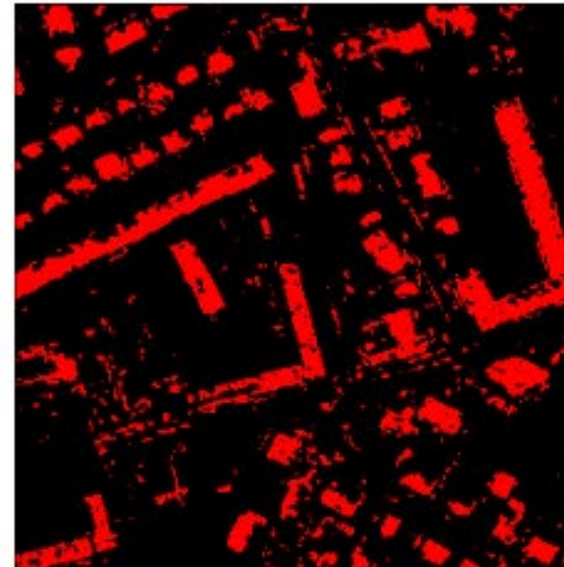
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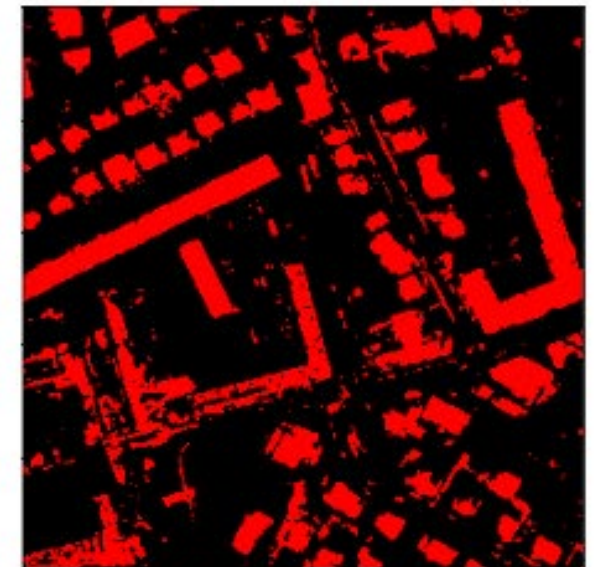
Ground truth



Classical SVM



Quantum SVM



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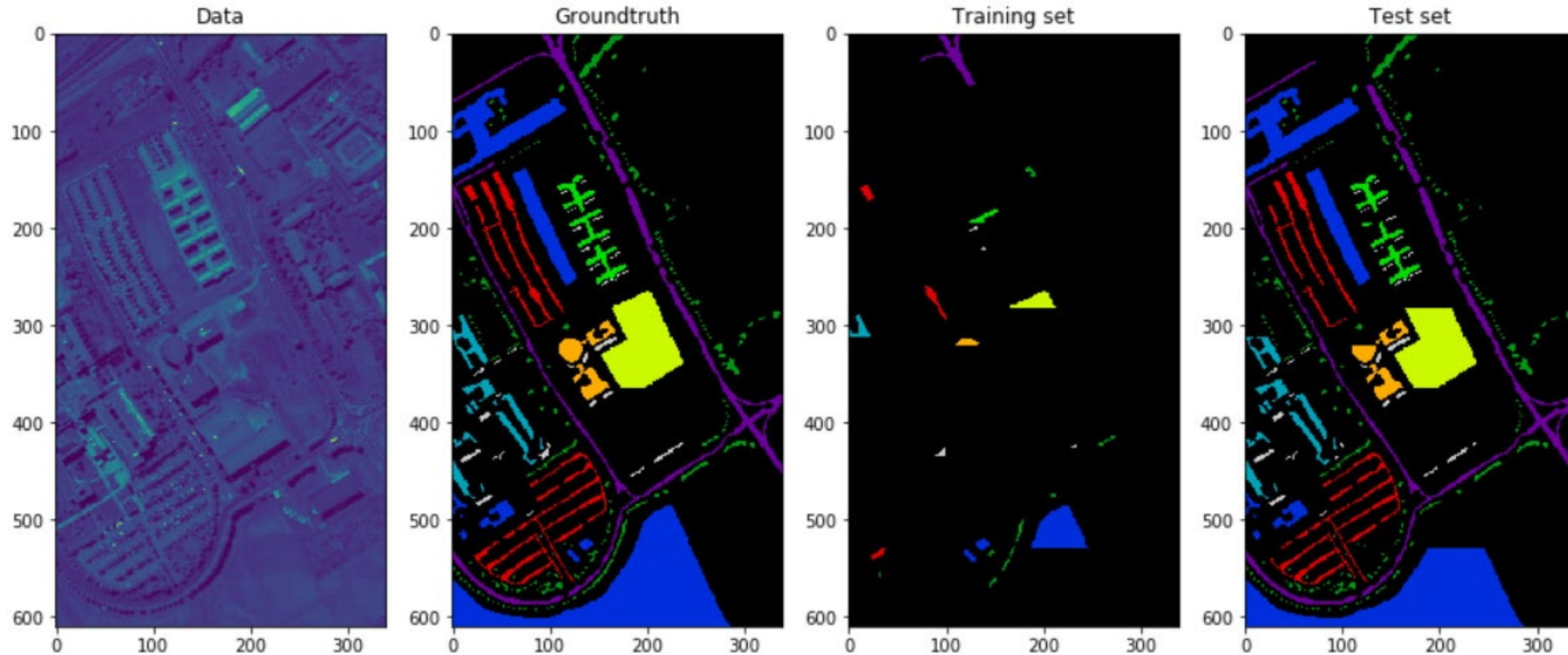
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# Machine Learning for Earth Observation

## In progress: Multiclass Classification



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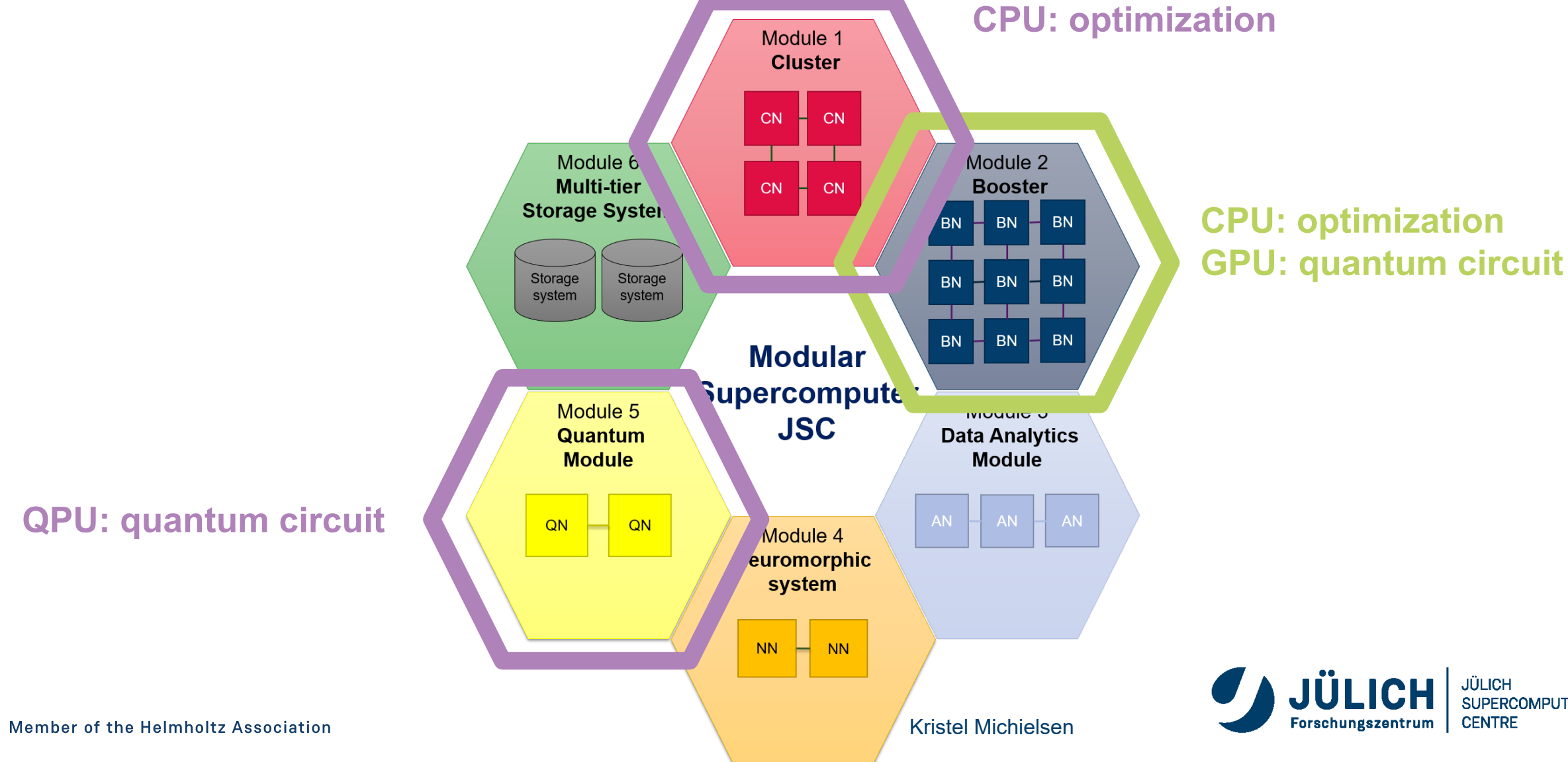
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# MODULAR SUPERCOMPUTING ARCHITECTURE

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A European quantum computer user facility at the Jülich Supercomputing Centre



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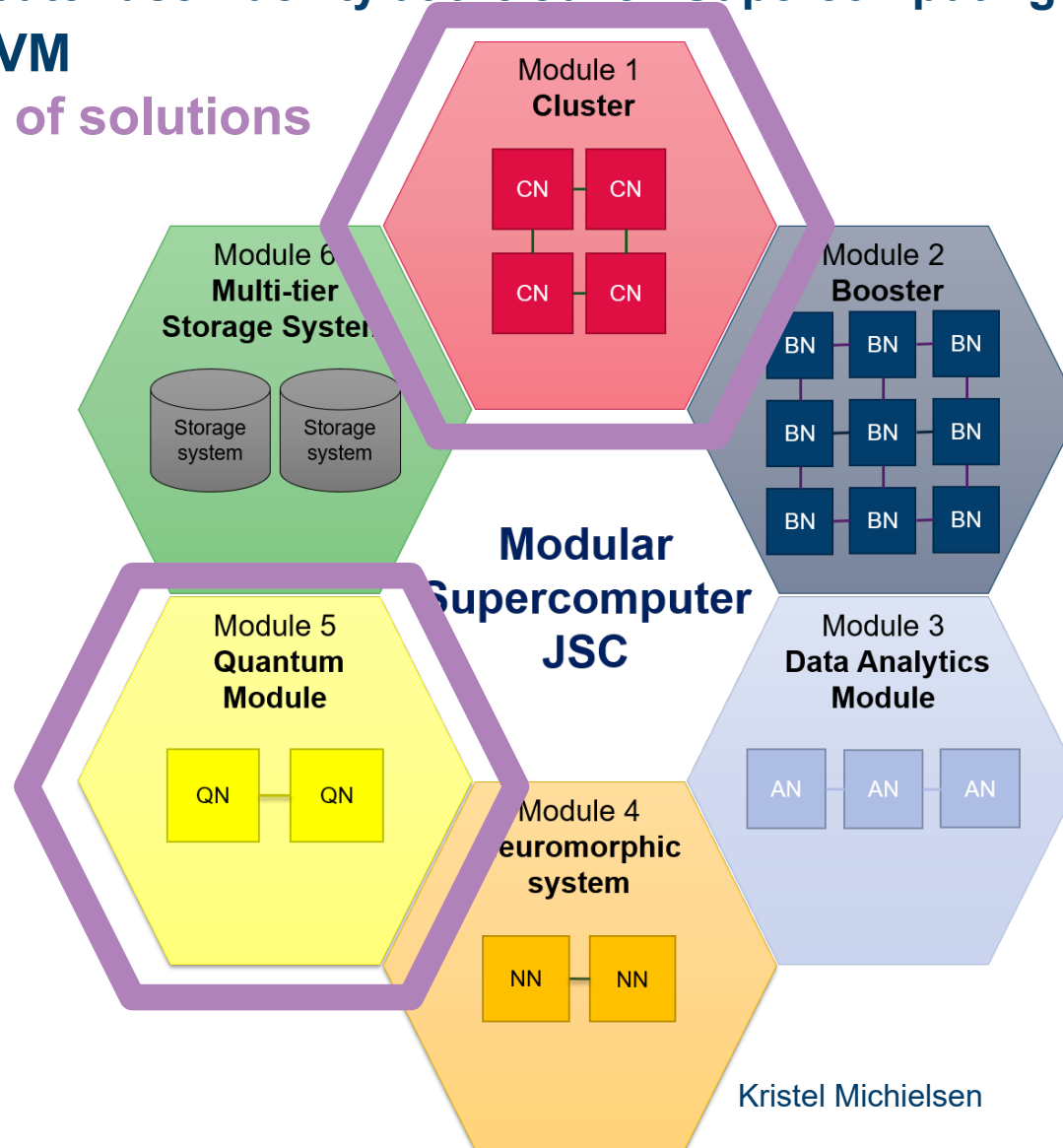
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qSVM

Combination of solutions

qSVM

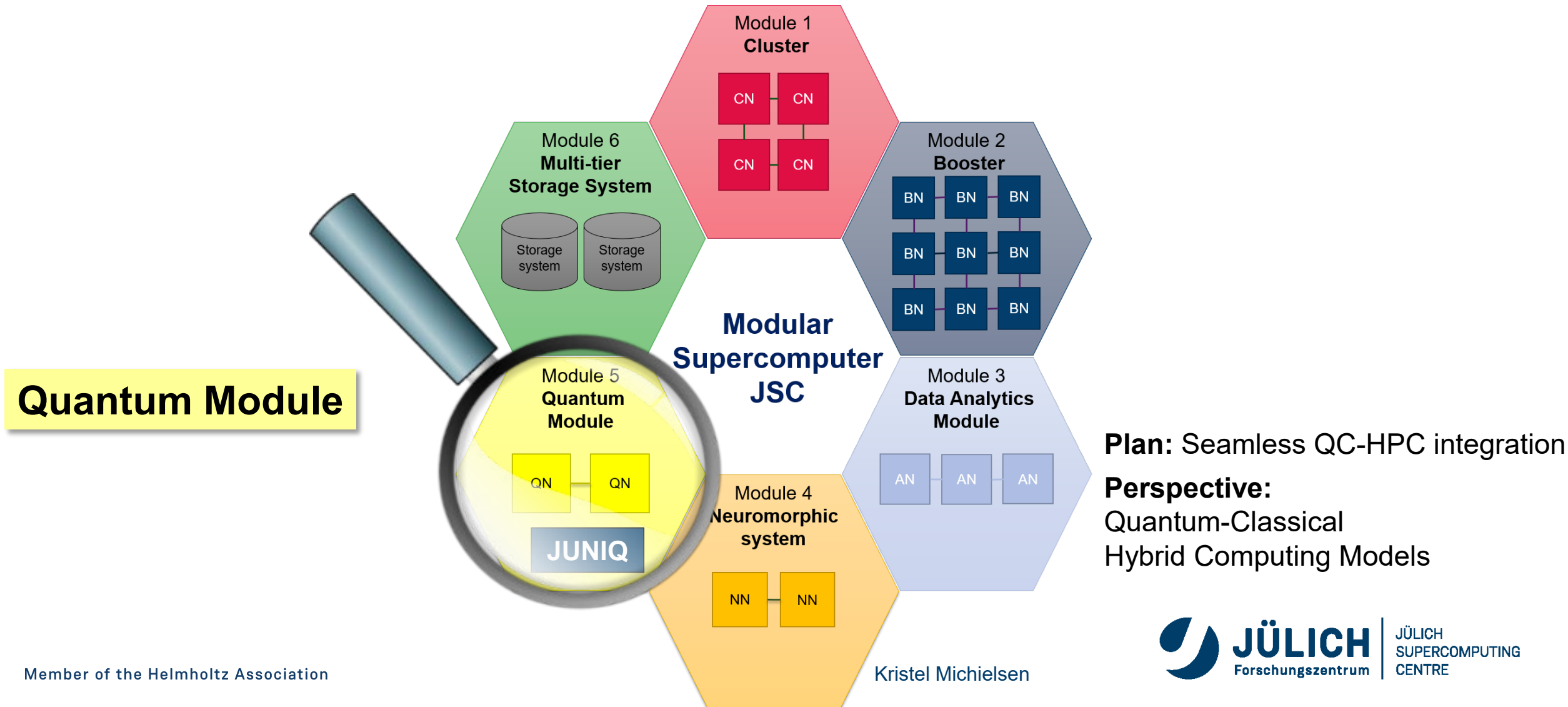
Quantenannealer:  
solutions for training data





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1. QC user facility for science and industry
2. Installation, operation and provision of QCs
3. Unified portal for access to QC emulators and to QC devices at different levels of technological maturity (QC-PaaS)
4. Development of algorithms and prototype applications
5. Services, training and user support
6. Modular quantum-HPC hybrid computing

Website: <https://www.fz-juelich.de/ias/jsc/junIQ>

**Rolling call for the submission of project proposals**



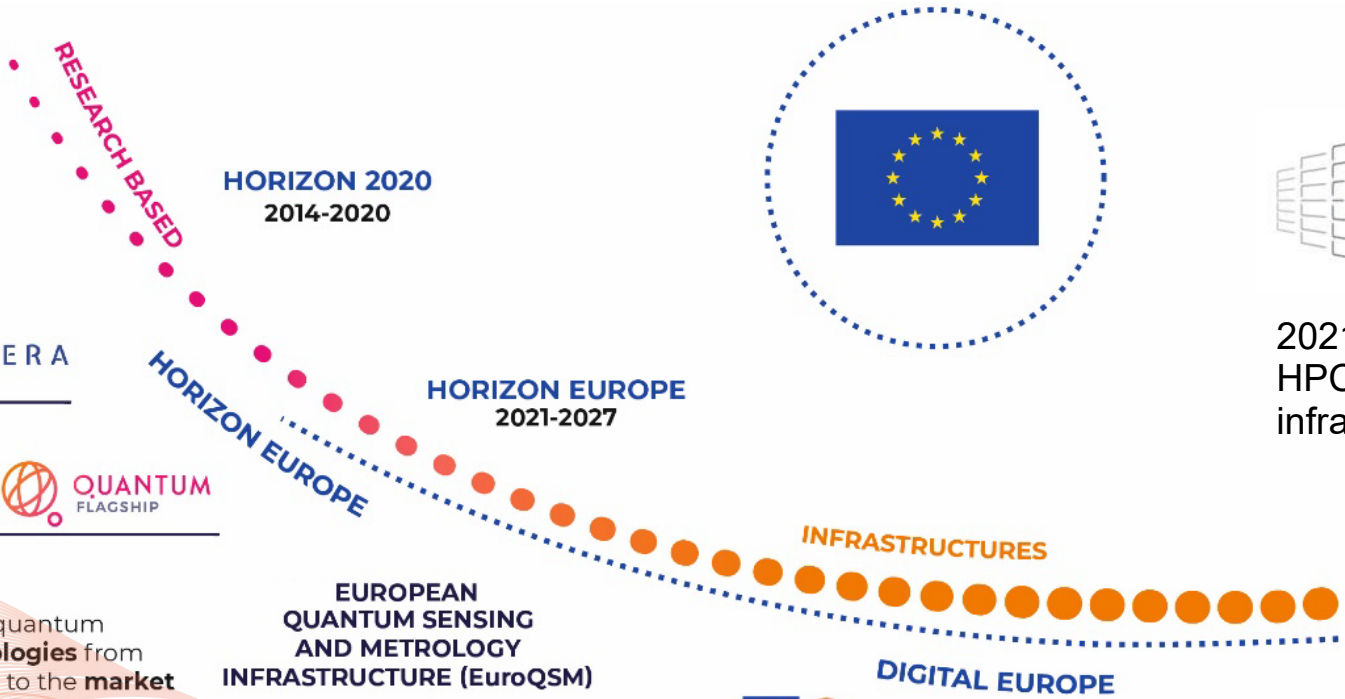
is a manufacturer-independent, comprehensive quantum computing user facility integrated in the Jülich Supercomputing Centre, with easy and affordable, peer-reviewed access







# FROM VISION TO REALITY – THE EU’S COMMITMENT



**EuroHPC**  
Joint Undertaking

2021: support for the first hybrid HPC / Quantum computing infrastructure in Europe

QUANTERA

Give **funding support** to **international research projects** in the field of Quantum Technologies



Bring quantum **technologies** from the **lab** to the **market** and consolidate European scientific **leadership** in quantum research

EUROPEAN QUANTUM SENSING AND METROLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE (EuroQSM)



**Build and deploy** dedicated **measurement services** for quantum devices and support the creation of **globally accepted standards**



QUANTUM COMMUNICATION INFRASTRUCTURE (EuroQCI)



**Build and deploy** in the next decade a certified secure pan-European end-to-end QCI for **cyber-security services**

QUANTUM COMPUTING AND SIMULATION INFRASTRUCTURE (EuroQCS)



**Build and deploy** an infrastructure for big data, artificial intelligence, high performance computing, among others

**White paper, 2 February 2022**  
**EuroQCS: European Quantum Computing & Simulation Infrastructure**, D. Binosi, T. Calarco, G. Colin de Verdière, S. Corni, A. Garcia-Saez, M.P. Johansson, V. Kannan, N. Katz, I. Kerenidis, J.I. Latorre, Th. Lippert, R. Mengoni, K. Michielsen, J.P. Nominé, Y. Omar, P. Öster, D. Ottaviani, M. Schulz, L. Tarruell



# ⟨HPC|Q.S⟩

## High Performance Computer and Quantum Simulator hybrid

This project has received funding from the European High-Performance Computing Joint Undertaking (JU) under grant agreement No 101018180.

The JU receives support from the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme and Germany, France, Italy, Ireland,





## Duration and Partners

- ▶ December 1<sup>st</sup> 2021 - November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025
- ▶ Coordinator: Forschungszentrum Jülich GmbH
- ▶ 15 partners + 3 linked 3<sup>rd</sup> parties from 6 countries





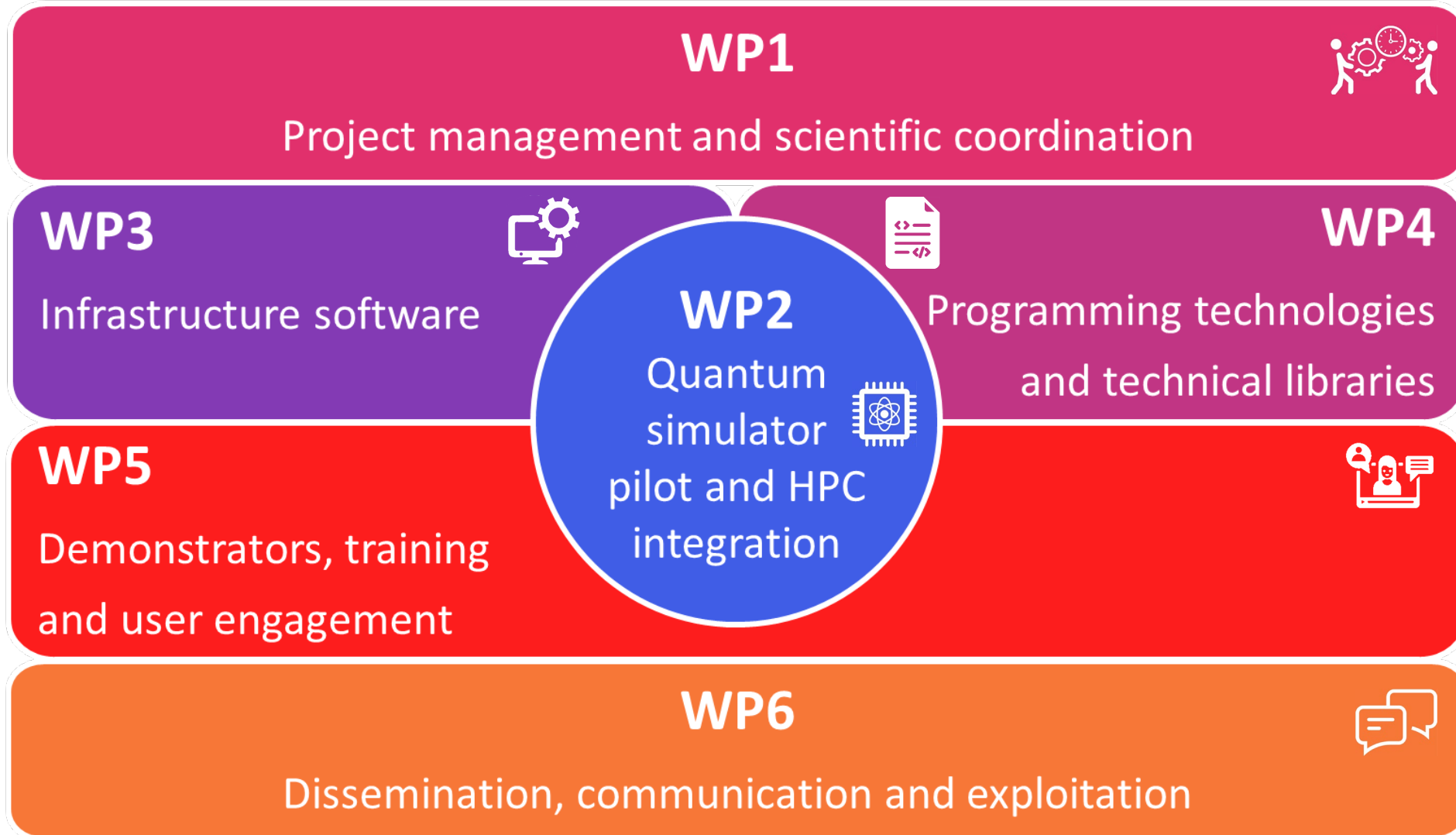
# Financials

- ▶ Topic: EuroHPC-2020-01-b -Pilot on quantum simulator
- ▶ Total Cost: 12,000,000 €
- ▶ EU Contribution: 6,000,000 €
- ▶ Funding from German, French, Italian, Irish, Austrian and Spanish national funding institutions





# Work Plan

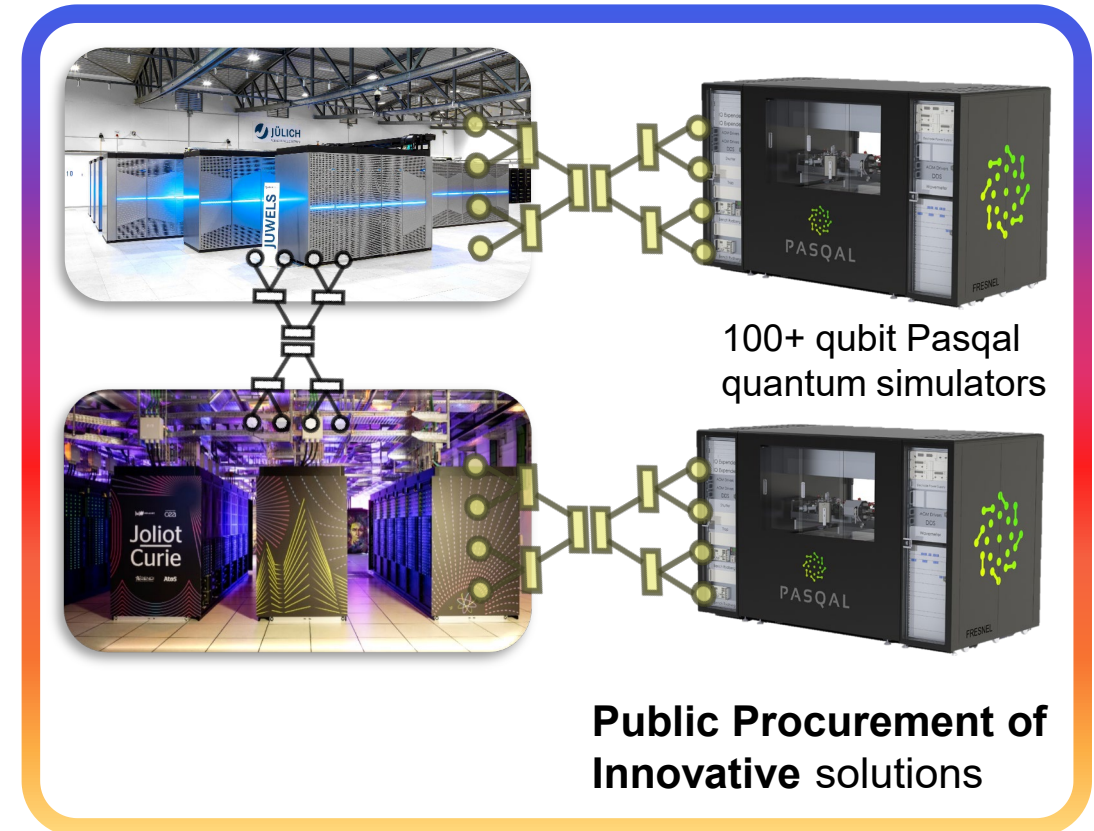






## Project Aim

- ▶ Prepare Europe for the use and federal operation of quantum computers (QC) and simulators (QS)
- ▶ Develop, deploy and coordinate a European federated infrastructure integrating a QS of 100+ interacting quantum units in the HPC systems of the supercomputer centres FZJ/JSC and GENCI/CEA
- ▶ Provide cloud access for European users, on a non-commercial basis





# HPC-QS Integration – Main Technical Components

- ▶ **Quantum Learning Machine QLM<sup>®</sup> by ATOS**

- ▶ Programming environment
- ▶ Access to quantum computing backends  
the quantum simulator

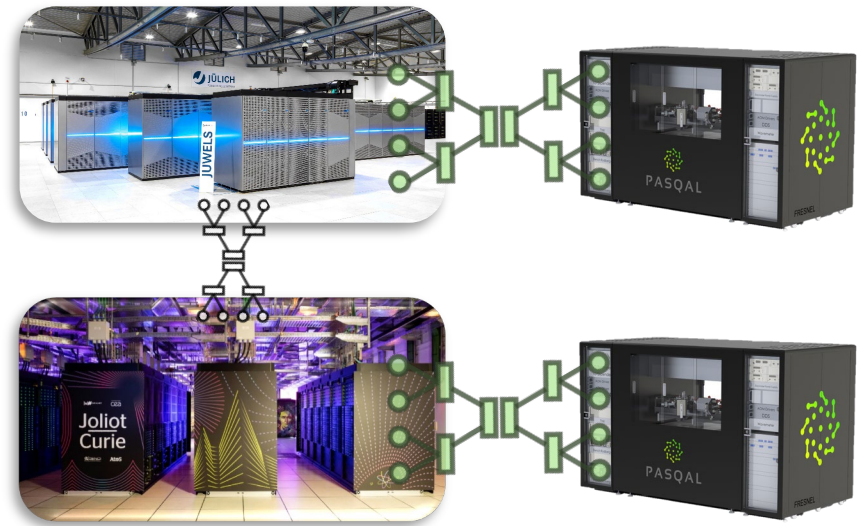


- ▶ **Modular Supercomputing Architecture**

- ▶ For lowest latency integration of the quantum simulator
- ▶ Developed in the series of EU-funded DEEP Projects
- ▶ Based on ParTec's **ParaStation Modulo<sup>®</sup>** middleware suite



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is an open and evolutionary pan-European hybrid HPC/quantum infrastructure that aims at expanding in the future by including a diversity of quantum computing platforms at different technology readiness levels and by allowing the integration of other European quantum nodes



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# EuroHPC JU call EUROHPC-2022-CEI-QC-01

Call for EoI for the hosting and operation of European quantum computers integrated in HPC supercomputers



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Joint Undertaking

- The selected hosting entities will operate the QCs on behalf of the EuroHPC JU
- The QCs will be integrated in existing supercomputers operated by the hosting entities
- The QCs should have at least 10 qubits, with a 2-qubit gate error rate of less than 1% and allow for a maximum circuit depth and number of entangled qubits by the installation date
- The selection will aim at ensuring a level of diversity in the technologies and architectures of the different QCs to be acquired to give users access to as many different quantum technologies as possible



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