Quantum computing in Sweden in a Nordic and EU perspective

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Why do we need quantum computers ?

→ We need QC for exponential speed-up to solve hard problems
 (only approximately!) with finite resources (time, memory).
 (to reduce energy consumption, if nothing else ...)

The original "killer application": Shor's algorithm for factorisation (1995)

Today, the typical killer applications are "use cases":

- Quantum Chemistry designing enzymes and catalysers; pharma
- Materials science describing strong electron correlations; new materials
- **Optimization** logistics, scheduling, big data, machine learning,

Quantum Advantage

Quantum computers offer, in principle, exponential speed-up for certain classes of hard problems





Long-term projects in Sweden:

WACQT (KAW; 2018-2029)







EU Horizon Europe Q-Flagship OpenSuperQPlus (2023-2026 (-2029))

NordIQuEst (2022-2024)



LUMI-Q (2024-2027) EuroQHPC-Integration



NeIC, NordForsk -->> Nordic HPC+QC ecosystem

EuroHPC Joint Undertaking HPC+QC European ecosystem QPU procurement

Coordinated by Frank Wilhelm-Mauch, Jülich; Chalmers 2 WPs: design, theory 100q+ QPU by 2025; (1000q+ by 2029) MC-2

> ENCCS-WACQT-NordIQuEst HPC+QC workshop Hands-on activites October 25-27, 2023

Complete program, exercises and Q&A log available at: https://enccs.github.io/qas2023/

NordiQuEst HPC+QC hybrid ecosystem



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NordiQuEst in a nutshell











31 March 2022: QAL 900-LUMI contact!



Start of NordIQuEst – 1-5 April 2022

LUMI-Q (2024-2027; EuroHPC JU) 2022-2024



Integrated and distributed HPC+QC hybrid computing

HPC: Cloud access with high-speed classical processing

QC computer with internal *super-high-speed* classical (CC) processing



Cloud access



High speed optical link Floating HPC/QC division FPGA
Classical control
Super-fast CC-QC hybrid processing
Quantum error mitigation (QEM); Quantum error correction (QEC)
Very low latency

Classical pre/post-processing Fast CC-QC hybrid processing Quantum error mitigation

Note: execution of quantum gates in the QC is done by classical code controlling classical electronics.



6 upcoming HPC+QC sites procuring QCs funded by the EuroHPC JU (2024-2027)

Czechia, IT4I, Karolina (LUMNI-Q): Superconducting; digital (~ 20q) Germany, LRZ:

Spain, BSC, Mare Nostrum:

Superconducting; analogue

France, CEA/GENCI: Photonic; digital

Italy, CINECA: Neutral atoms; analogue

Poland, PSNC: Ion trap; digital







EuroQHPC-Integration (2024-2027)(submitted)

WP2, T 2.2: Creation of a repository of shared collection of proof-of-concept applications and benchmarks running on various hybrid systems. CHALMERS



WP1: Coordination of EuroQHPC-Integration (GENCI) **Supported** WP2: Shared integration, development and support activities (LRZ) **50% EuroHPC JU** 50% VR WP3: EuroQCS-WP4: LUMI-Q WP5: EuroQCS-WP6: EuroOCS-WP7: EuroOCS-WP8: Euro-Q-Exa specific France specific specific Spain specific Italy specific Poland specific integration and integration and integration and integration and integration and integration and development development development development development development activities activities activities activities activities activities (GENCI) (IT4I@VSB) (BCS-CNS) (CINECA) (PSNC) (LRZ)



WP4, T 4.3: Design and implementation of the Q-scheduler for hybrid quantum-classical asynchronous offloading programming model. CHALMERS/QAL 9000

Competitive Quantum Computing What about now?

Google 70q Sycamore (superconducting): Phase transition in Random Circuit Sampling

arXiv:2304.11119v1

- → Extension of the 2019 Google 53q demonstration of Quantum Supremacy
- → Demo of Quantum Supremacy (well beyond the memory storage of the Frontier exascale HPC; 10²⁴ Flops (1 year) for classical Tensor Networks)

IBM 127q Eagle (superconducting): Evidence for the utility of quantum computing before fault tolerance Kim et al. *Nature* 618, 500–506 (2023).



→ scalable quantum error mitigation (QEM) (ZNE, zero-noise extrapolation) for noisy quantum circuits produces competitive expectation values for measurable quantities. **Evidence for the utility of quantum computing before fault tolerance** Kim et al. *Nature* **618**, 500–506 (2023).

Digital-analog simulation of average magnetization of a **2-dimensional transverse-field Ising model (TFIM) with 127-spins** programmed on a **127 qubit Eagle processor**:



This experiment is **impossible by brute-force HPC simulation for memory reasons** and indicates emerging **Quantum Advantage of scale (but not time).**

Nevertheless, soon after appeared the following paper classically reproducing the 127q IBM result. Efficient tensor network simulation of IBM's Eagle kicked Ising experiment, Joseph Tindall, Matthew Fishman, E. Miles Stoudenmire, and Dries Sels, arXiv: 2306.14887

So, we are now waiting for the 433 Osprey to show what it can do ③ with lots of error mitigation – which is an NP-hard problem ③

→ In the near term, Quantum Advantage may take the form of NISQ devices emulating interesting physical systems intractable by HPC supercomputers – "Quantum wind tunnel experiments".

USTC, Hefei, China, 66q Zuchongzhi-2 (superconducting):

→Extended in 2022 the 2019 Google 53q demonstration of Quantum Supremacy
 → Now online with cloud access, adding control interfaces of 110 coupled qubits, allowing users to manipulate 176 quantum bits.

RIKEN RQC-Fujitsu, Japan, 64q (superconducting):

 Platform leverages new 64 qubit superconducting quantum computer to accelerate R&D for quantum chemistry calculations and quantum financial algorithms. Includes one of the world's largest 40 qubit quantum computer simulators developed by Fujitsu.

NOTE: to "accelerate R&D for quantum chemistry calculations and quantum financial algorithms" is standard hype use to sell quantum computers. To be really useful (i.e. show decisive Quantum Advantage) they must wait for QEC.

The Future of competitive Quantum Computing

Needed: 1000+ perfect qubits with infinite coherence time to compute for seconds, minutes, hours, days ...

Now: NISQ (Noisy Intermediate-Scale Quantum) devices:

>> 1 millisecond coherence (quantum computing) time

→ Entangle max 20 qubits with high probability (Quantinuum ion trap!!)

For quantum error correction (QEC), prepare for a 10-20 years marathon

For **quantum error mitigation (QEM)**, prepare for 5+ years of intense exploration

Thanks for your attention!

Suggested further reading:

List of quantum processors - Wikipidia https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_quantum_processors

Quantum information processing with superconducting circuits: a perspective G. Wendin; https://arxiv.org/abs/2302.04558

Quantum computer scales up by mitigating errors Göran Wendin, Jonas Bylander, Nature 618, 462 (2023).

Coherent manipulation of a spin qubit Göran Wendin, Vitaly Shumeiko, Science 373, 390 (2021)













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