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Introducing Quantum Computing with AWS

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Agenda

Quantum computing – why should you care?

Where are we today?

Introducing Amazon Quantum Technologies

Related breakouts

Thursday, December 5th

CMP213-R1: [REPEAT 1] Introducing Quantum Computing with AWS

2:30 PM - Bellagio, Grand Ballroom 5 Black

Quantum Computing

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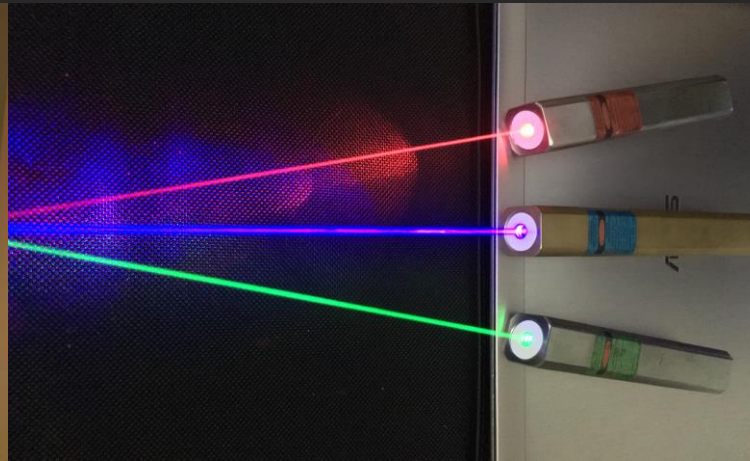
We just entered the “Noisy Intermediate-Scale Quantum” (NISQ) era:
far from end goal but promising for early explorations

Quantum technologies from last century

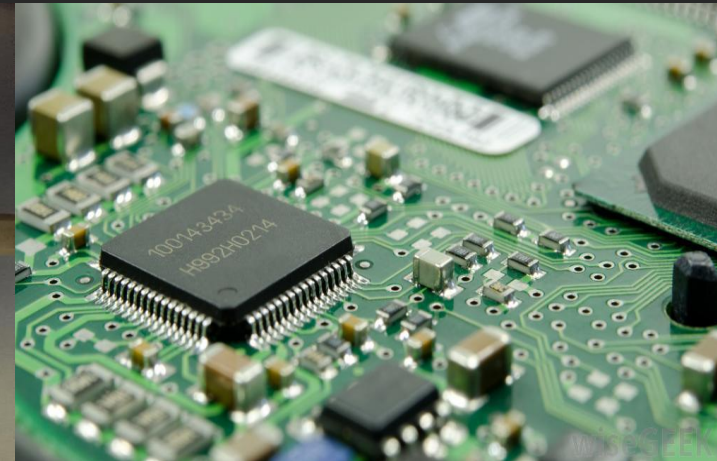
Quantum mechanics already key to many technological advances



NMR



laser



transistor

Simulating quantum is hard

Use of DOE
supercomputer by
area in 2018

Large fraction devoted to simulating quantum
systems

Cost grows exponentially with size of system

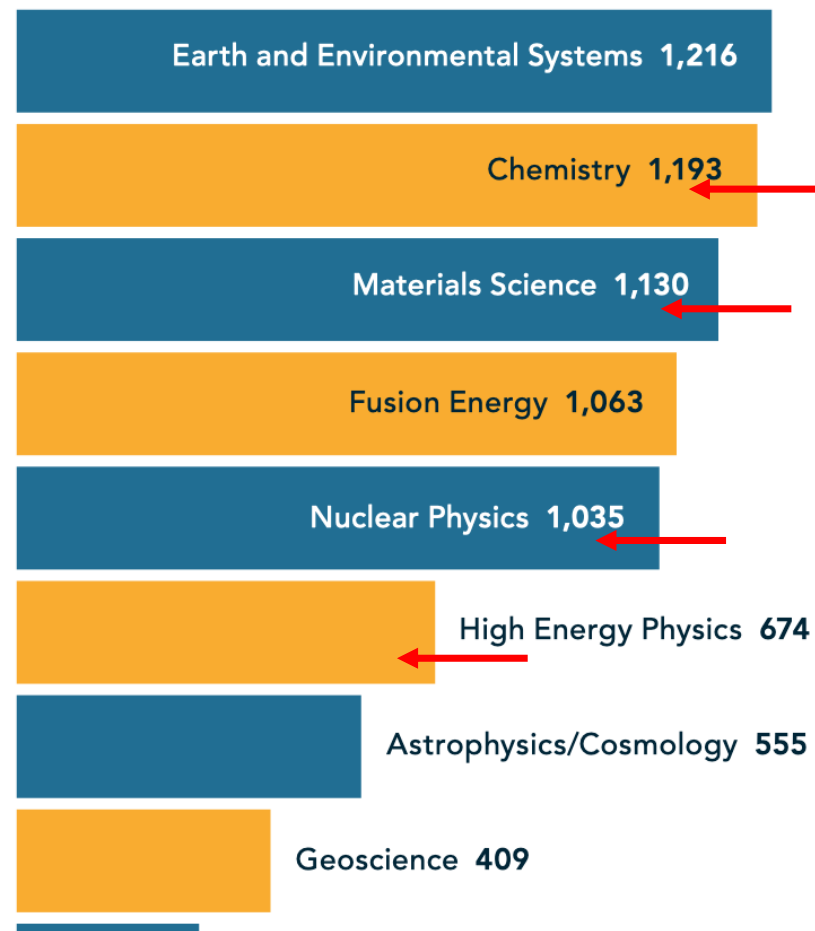
$\sim 2^n$ steps to simulate system of n qubits
(electrons, photons, ...) because of
phenomenon of entanglement between qubits

30 qubits: 16 Gb

50 qubits: 16 Pb

40 qubits: 16 Tb

333 qubits : 10^{100}



Simulating physics with computers

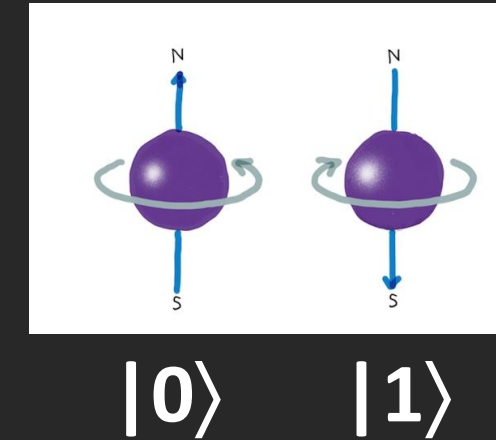


"trying to find a computer simulation of physics seems to me to be an excellent program to follow out (...) Nature isn't classical, dammit, and if you want to make a simulation of Nature, you'd better make it quantum mechanical, and by golly it's a wonderful problem, because it doesn't look so easy"

R. Feynman, *Simulating Physics with Computers*, 81

Quantum mechanics

Basic unit: Qubit $|\psi\rangle = \alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle$

$$\underbrace{|\alpha|^2}_{\text{Pr}(0)} + \underbrace{|\beta|^2}_{\text{Pr}(1)} = 1$$


Amplitudes instead of probabilities.

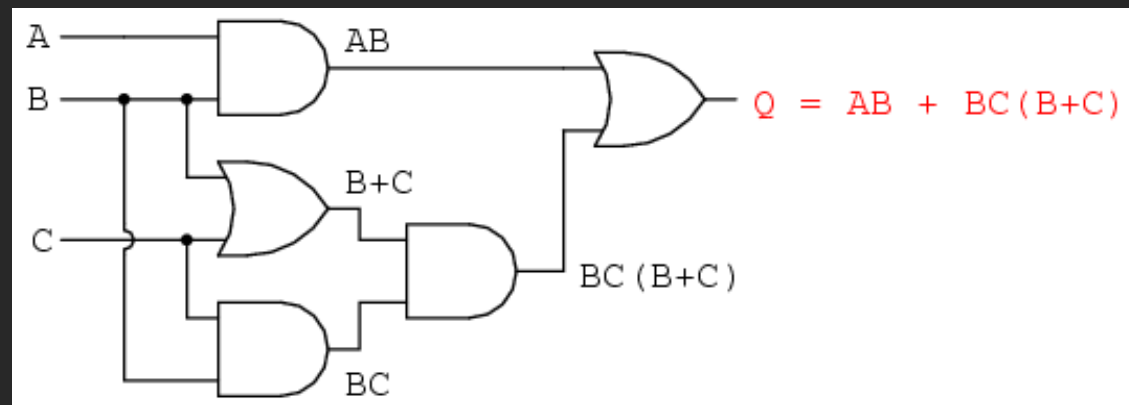
Unique features: superposition, interference, entanglement

n-qubit system:

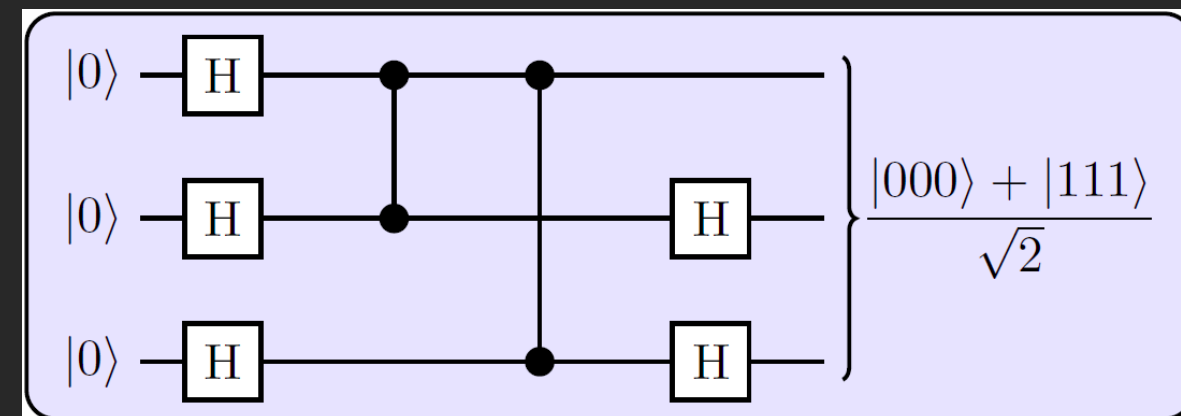
$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_n=0}^1 c_{i_1 \dots i_n} |i_1, \dots, i_n\rangle$$

Quantum technology of this century

Quantum computing uses well-controlled quantum systems for computation

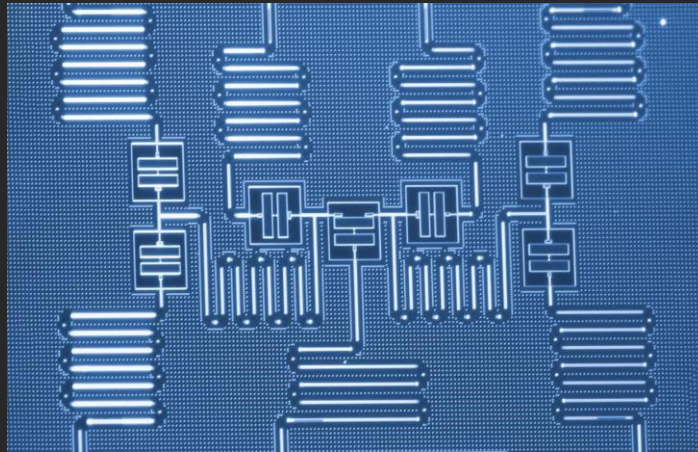


boolean circuit

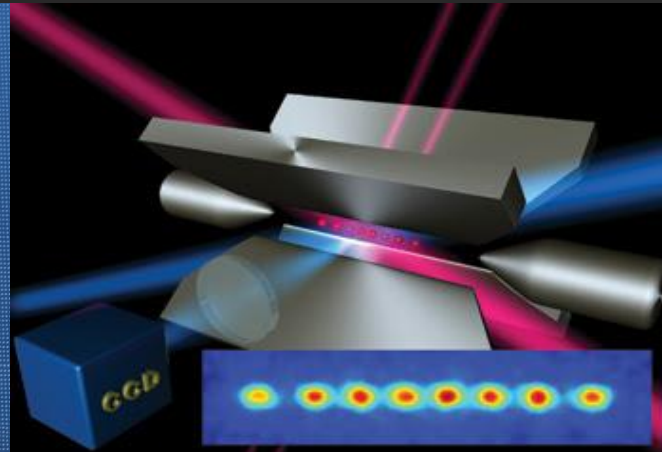


quantum circuit

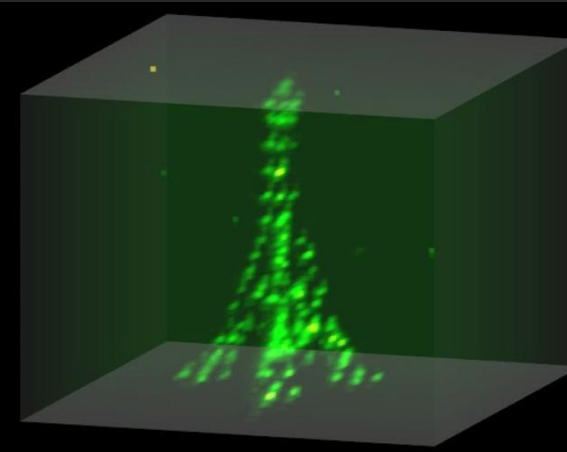
Quantum Computers in the Lab



superconducting qubits



trapped ions



Rydberg atoms



silicon photonics

Applications Quantum Computing

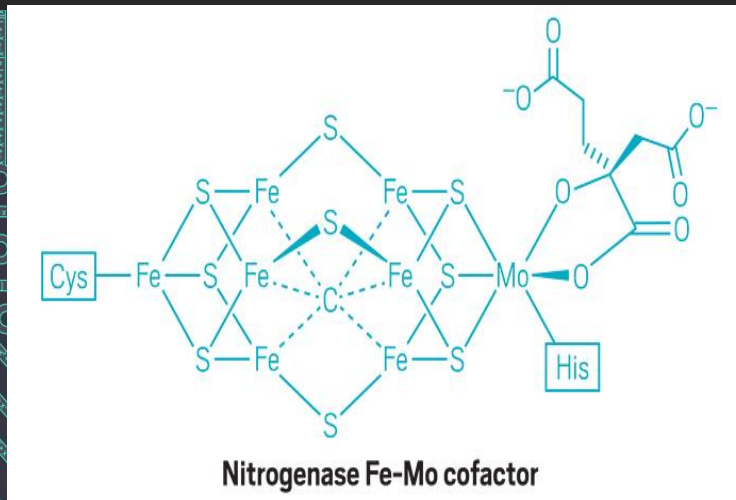
Cryptography



Break 2048 RSA

~ 6000 qubits

Physics/Chemistry



Simulate FeMoco

~ 200 qubits

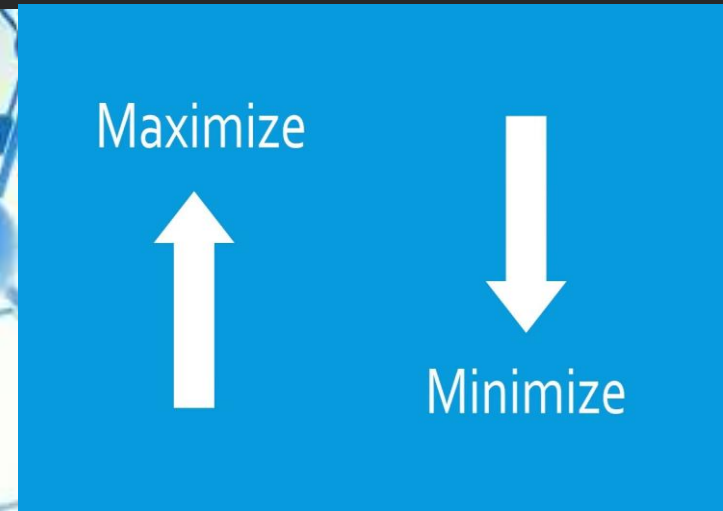
Material Science



Simulate High-T
superconductors

~ 70 qubits

Optimization



Searching,
ranking, learning

~ 100 qubits

Catch: perfect qubits with no noise. Change order

Applications Quantum Computing

Cryptography



Security of RSA based on hardness of factoring large numbers

Factoring: $15 = 5 \times 3$

$509284477619 = 217421 \times 234239$

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Best algorithm for n digit number: $\exp(1.9 n^{1/3})$

To factor 2048 digit number ~ quadrillion years

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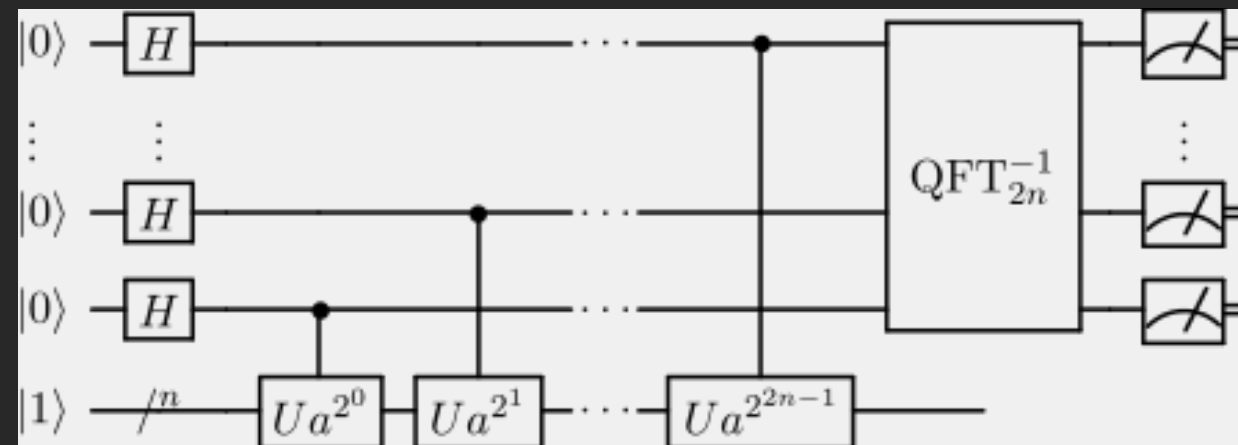
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Shor's quantum algorithm for factoring n digit number: $72 n^3$



To factor 2048 digit number ~ few minutes

Post-quantum crypto being develop to address this threat

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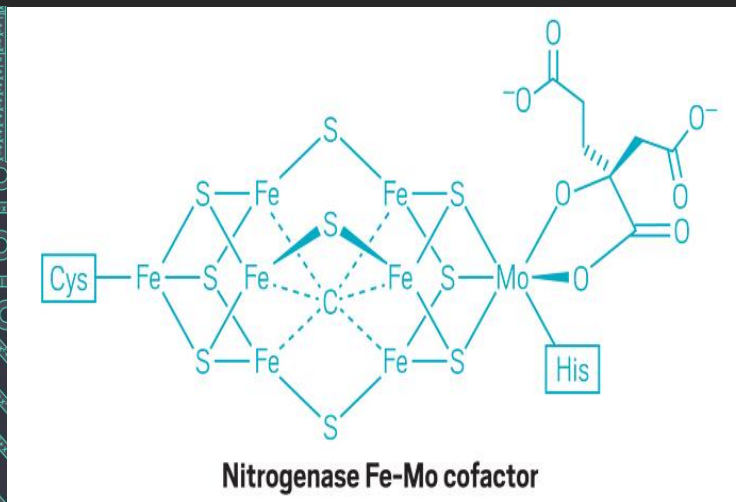
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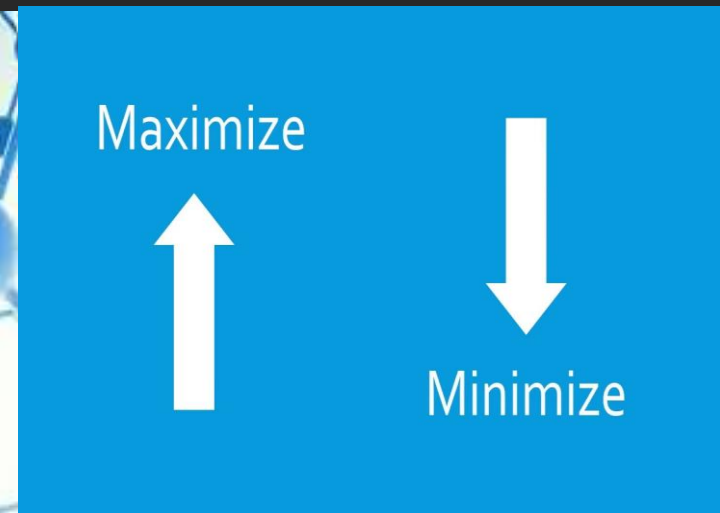
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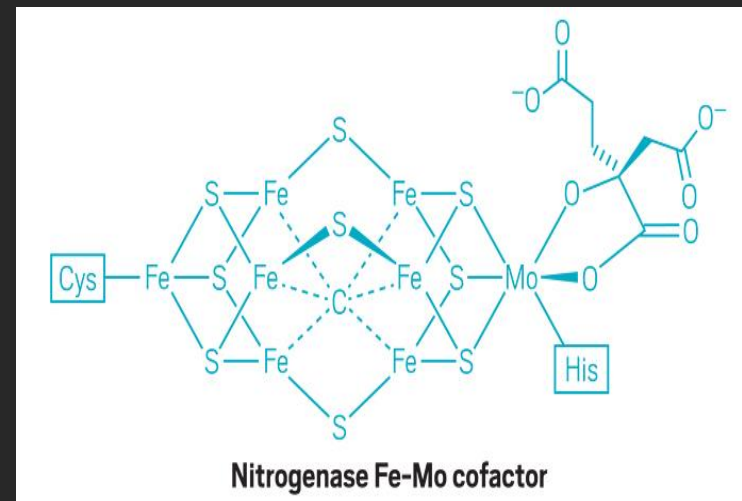
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Haber-Bosch process to produce ammonia fertilizer from nitrogen very costly

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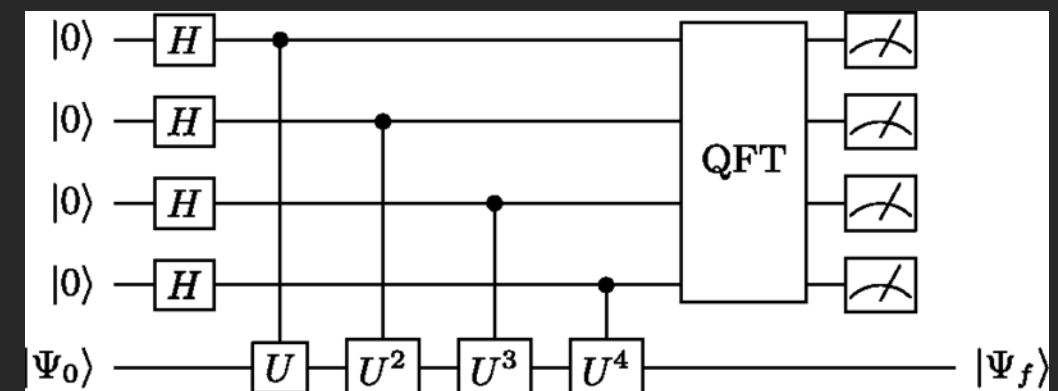


Simulate FeMoco

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Nitrogenase does it naturally. But out of reach with HPC (FeMoco > 70 electronic states).

Quantum computing can simulate FeMoco



Quantum Error Correction

Error rate: probability of error during execution of gate

Bit flip: $0 \rightarrow 1, 1 \rightarrow 0$

Qubit bit flip: $\alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle \rightarrow \alpha|1\rangle + \beta|0\rangle$

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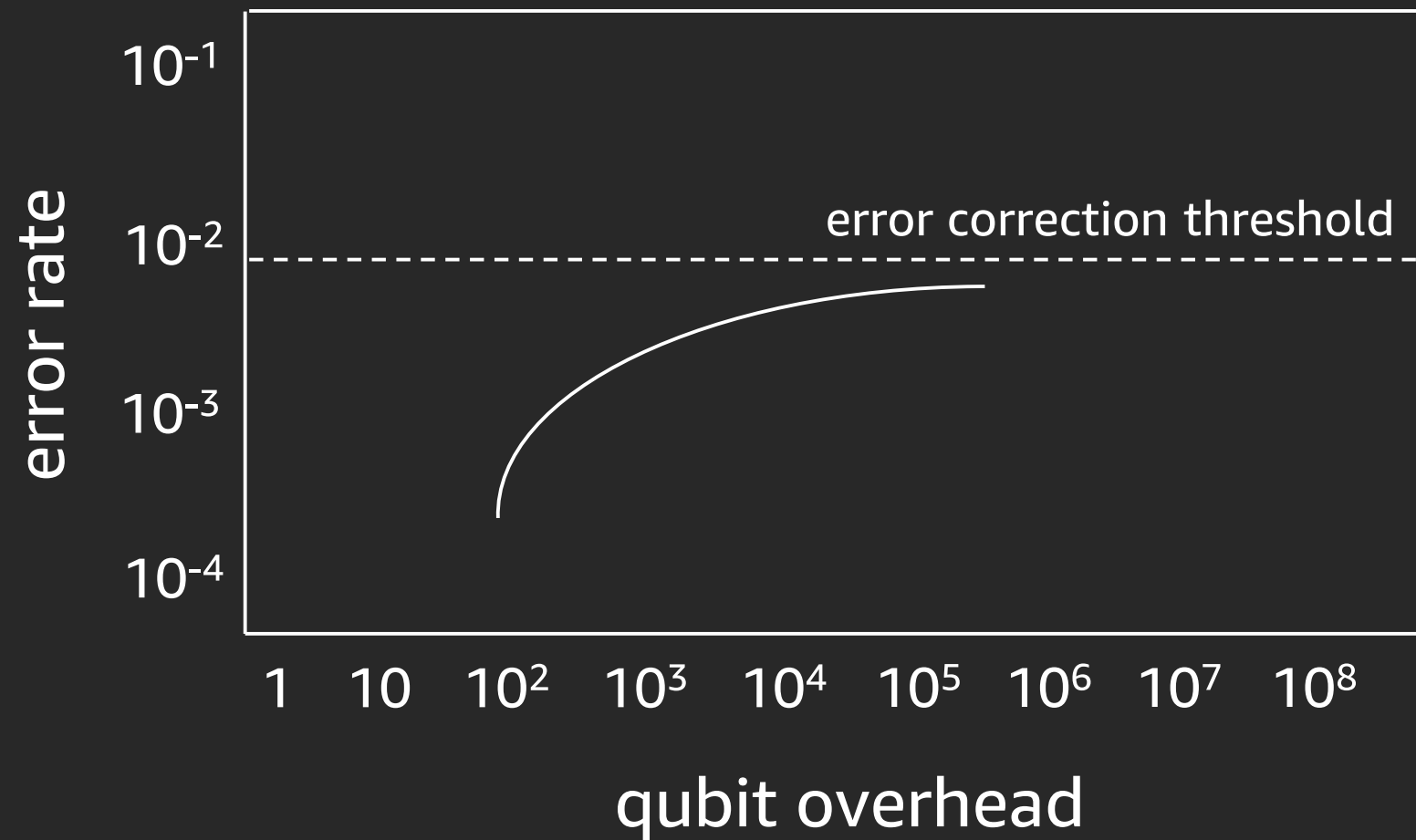
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Error correction: protect information by redundant encoding

Repetition code for a bit: $0 \rightarrow 00000$ $1 \rightarrow 11111$

Quantum Error Correction



Target: one billion gates with no error

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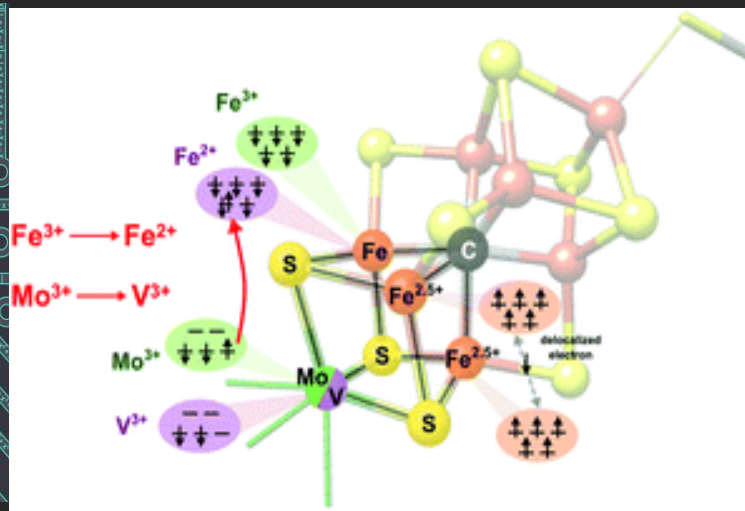
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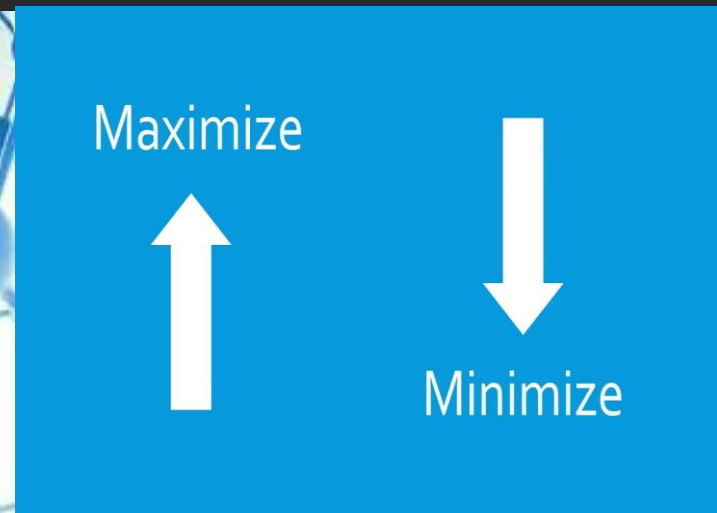
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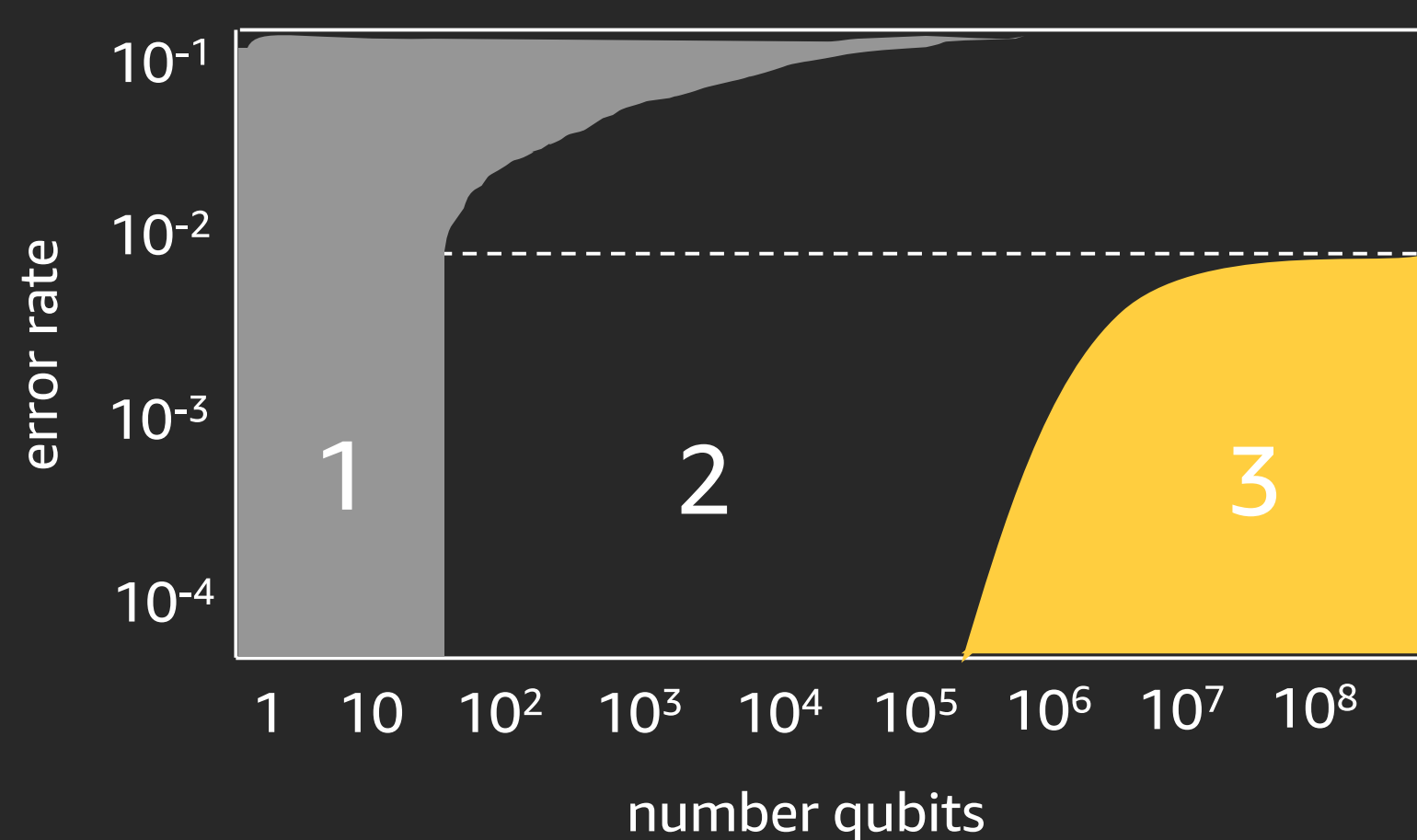


Scheduling,
ranking, learning

~ 500k qubits

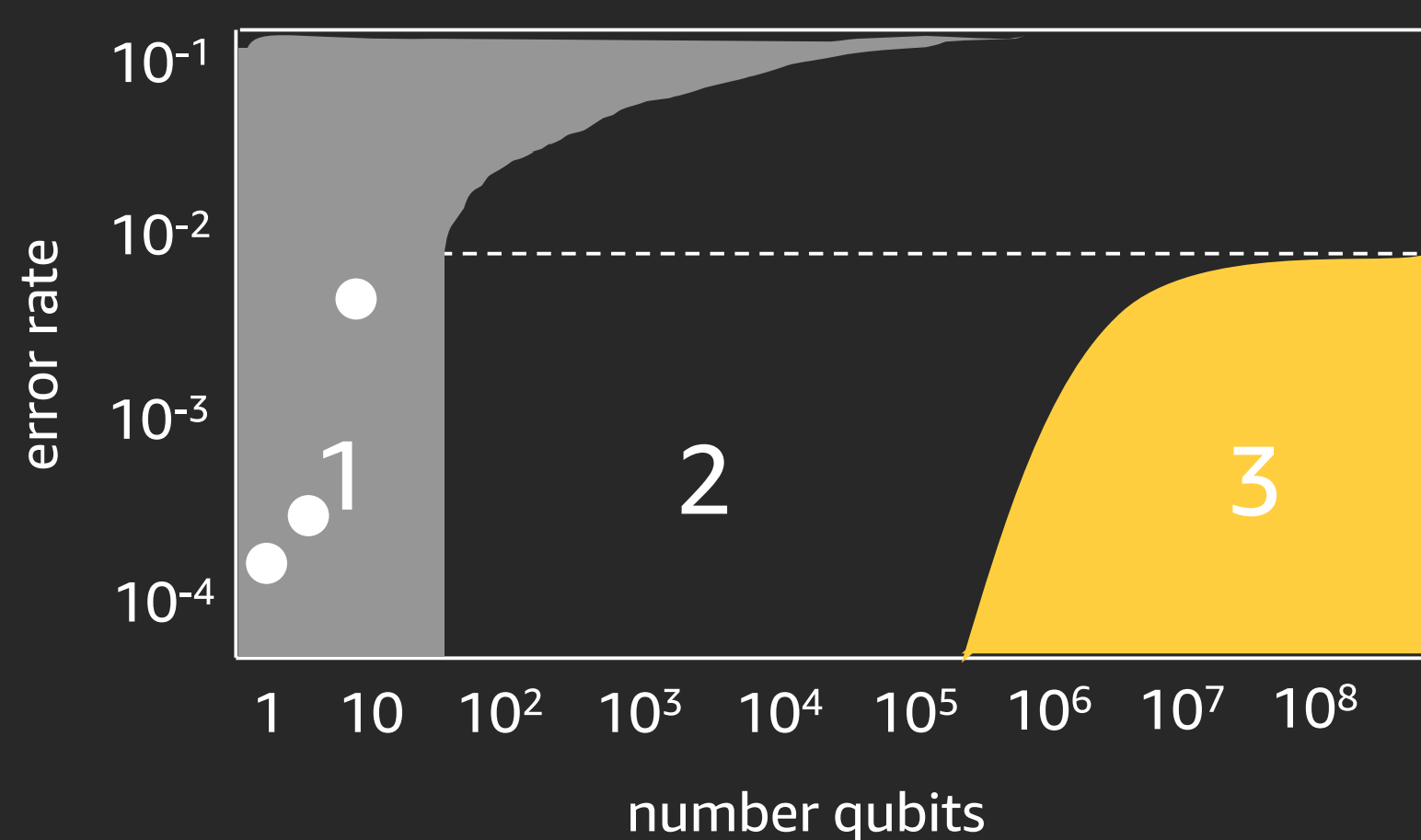
with 0.1% error rate

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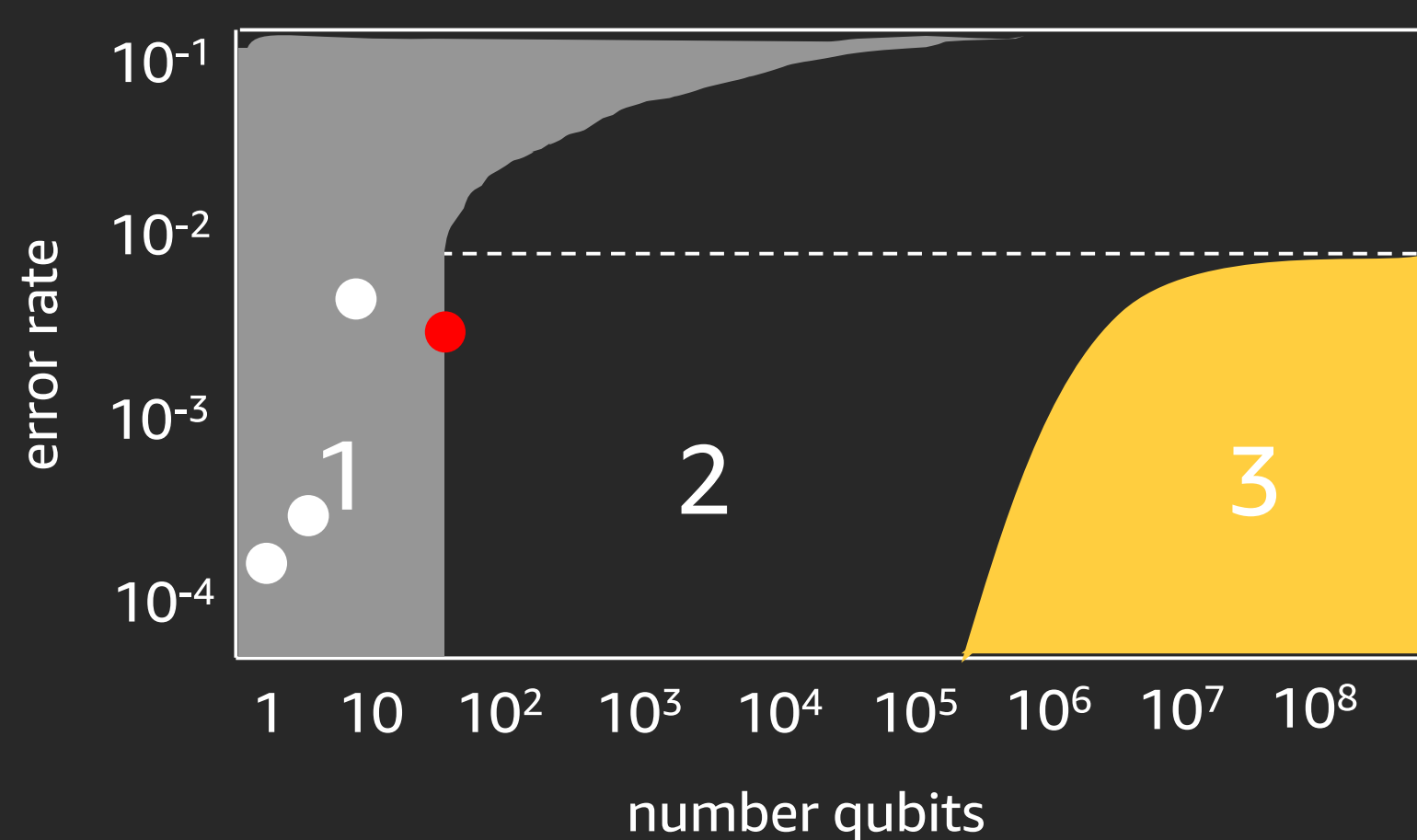


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Quantum Supremacy

Are current quantum hardware better than classical at *anything*?

Analogy: 'Savant' versus pocket calculator competition

Problem: Multiply large numbers

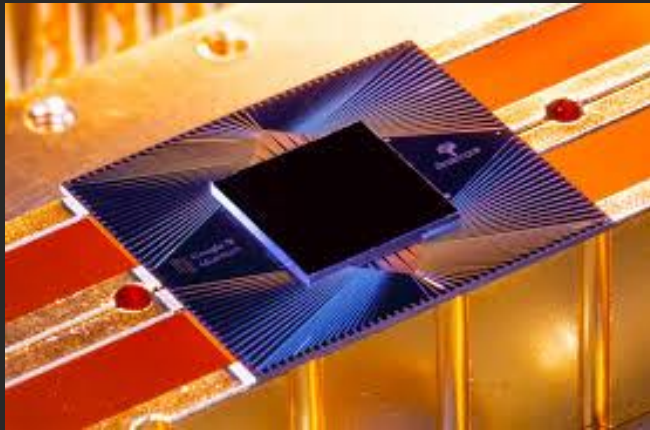


"Supremacy" of calculator over human brain

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Problem: Sampling from outputs from “random circuits”



Google's 53 qubits “Sycamore”
quantum “pocket calculator”
3 minutes

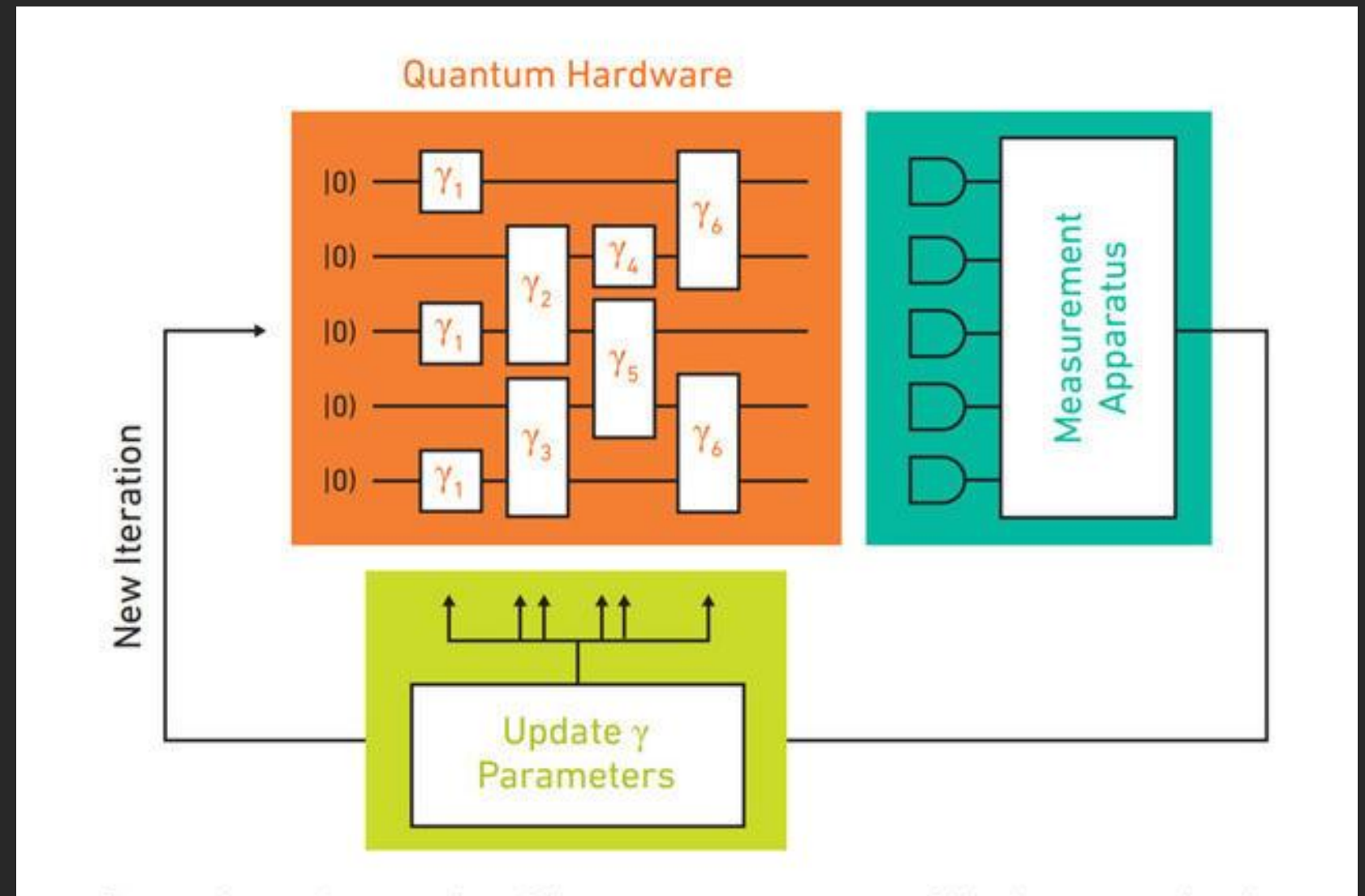


Summit Supercomputer
classical computing “savant”
3 days – 10,000 years

Noisy Intermediate-Scale Quantum

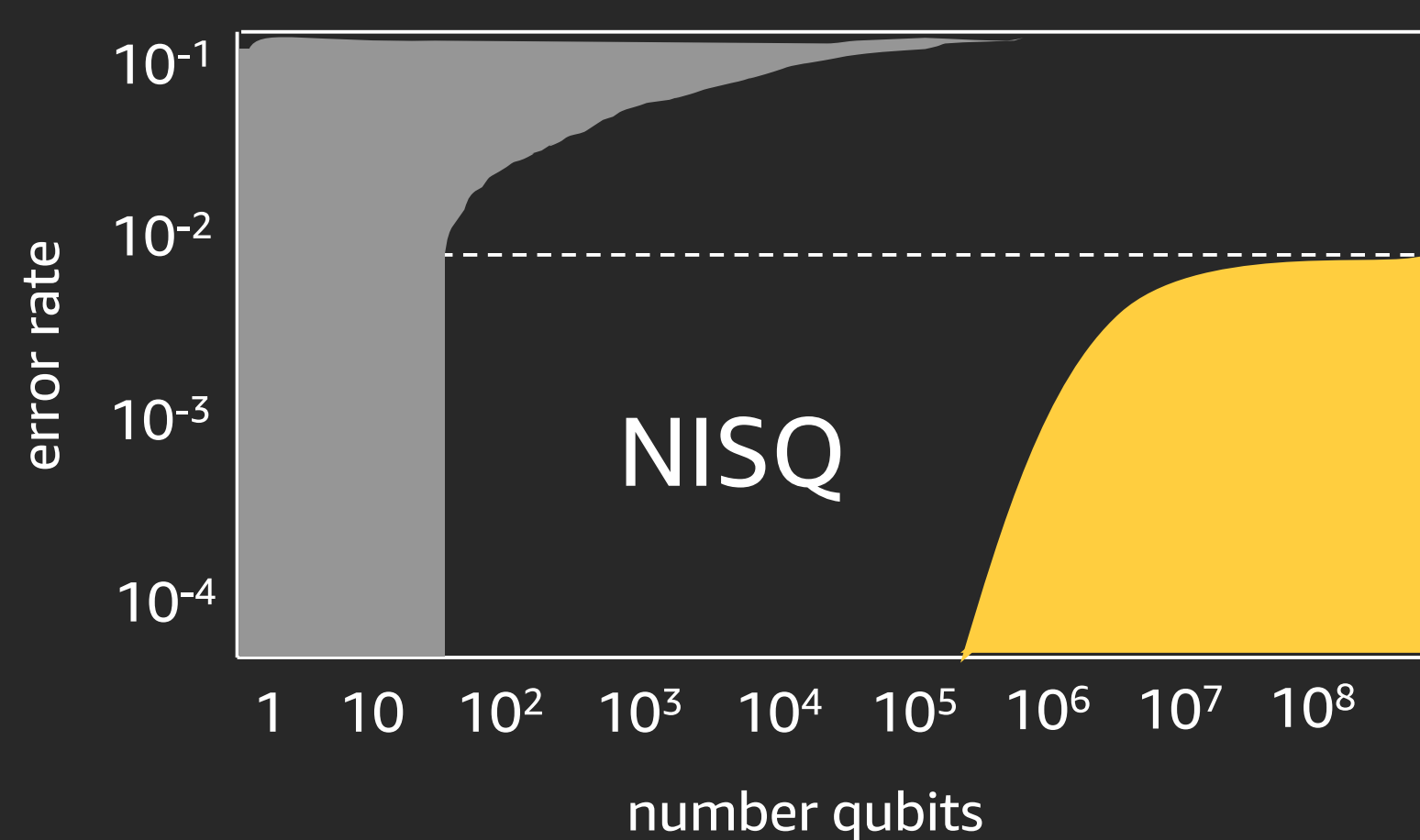
Hybrid classical-quantum methods for optimization and quantum simulation. Heuristics. But can be run much sooner!

Better hardware -> Richer class of circuits



(Olson et al, arXiv:1706.05413)

Noisy Intermediate-Scale Quantum



<50 qubits:

no application possible

>100k qubits:

Applications provably possible

First applications somewhere
in between

Now it's time to get started!

Amazon Quantum Technologies

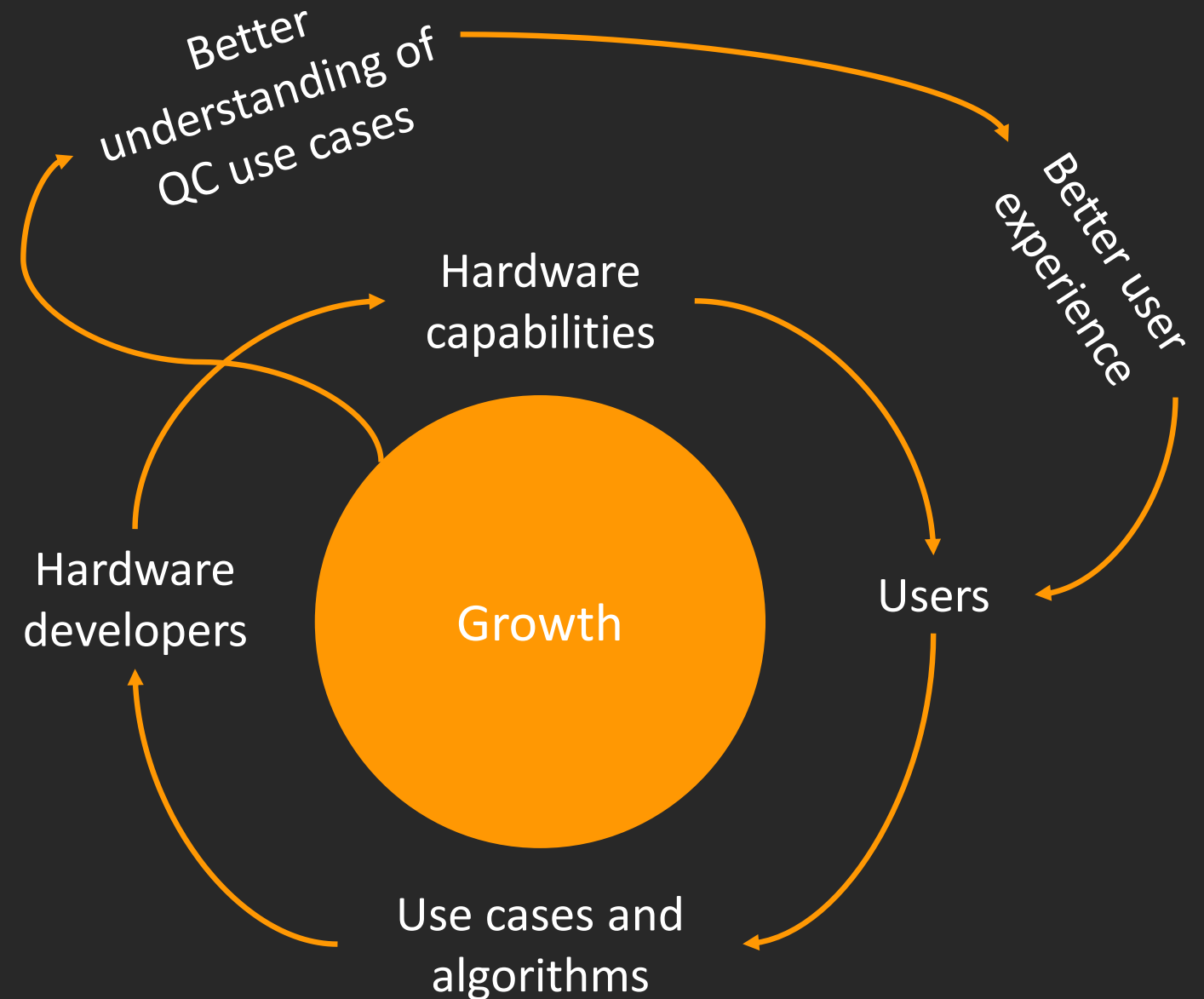
Quantum Computation: Why now?

Long-term transformative potential

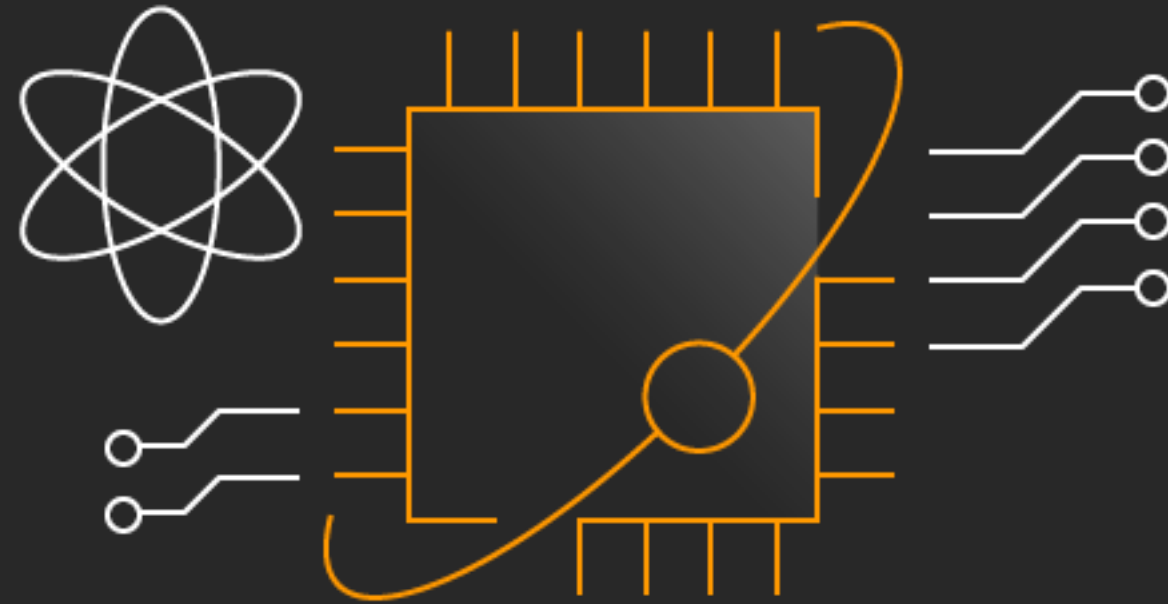
Quantum computers enter supremacy regime

Learn and build expertise

Develop new algorithms and IP



Introducing Amazon Braket



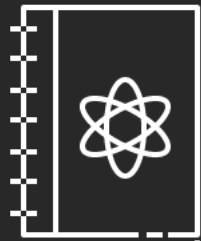
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Fragmented
developer tools

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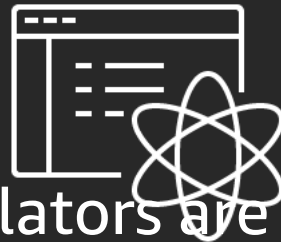
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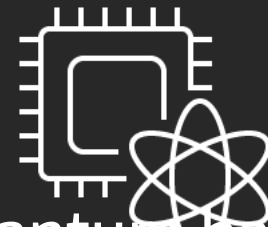
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Design

Managed development
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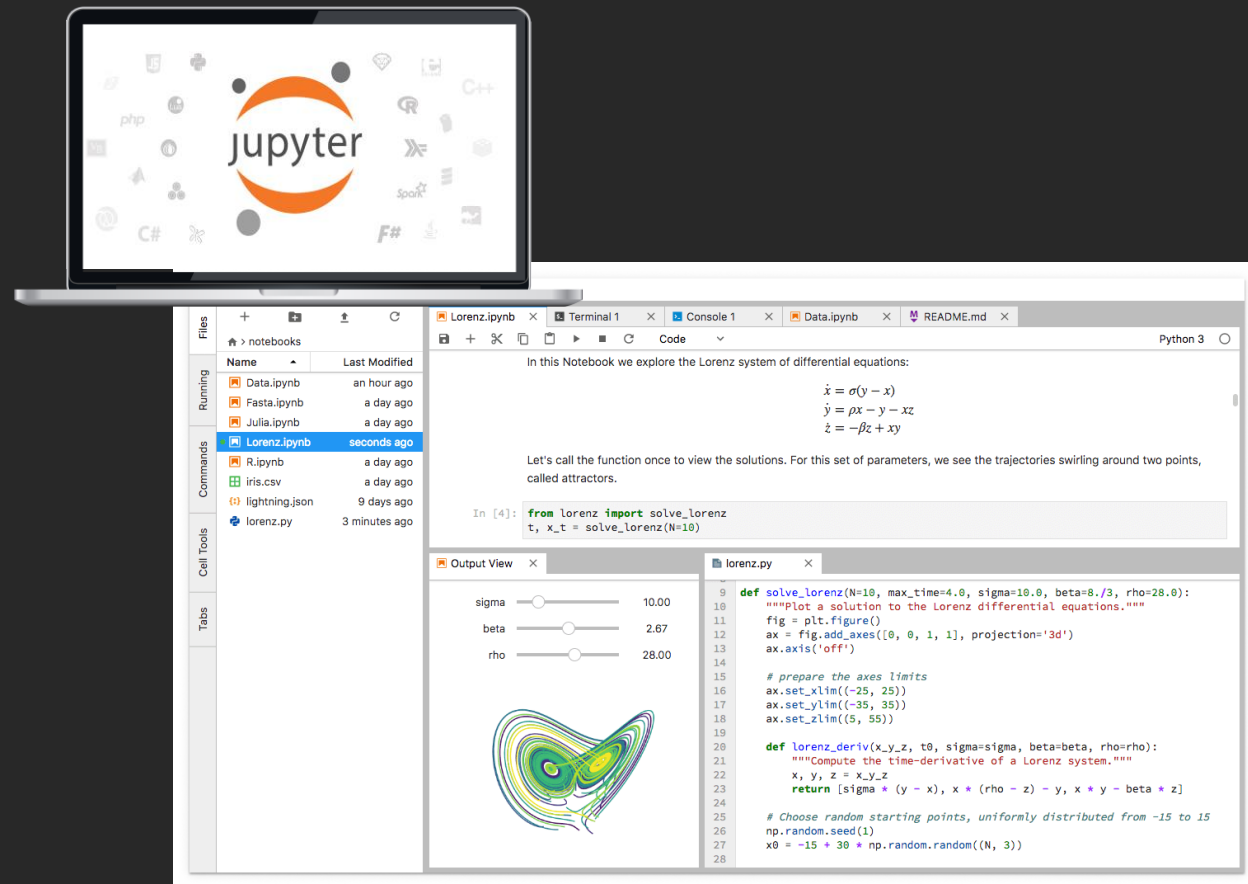
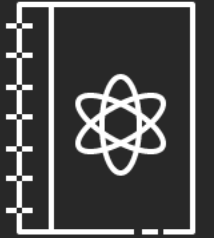
High-performing
circuit simulators



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Hybrid workloads on
secure, on-demand
quantum hardware

Design - Managed Jupyter Lab environments



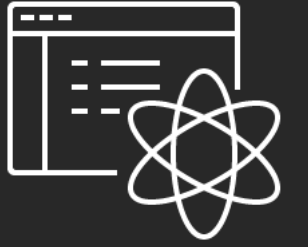
Fully managed infrastructure

Pre-built environments

Learning resources

Build and test algorithms

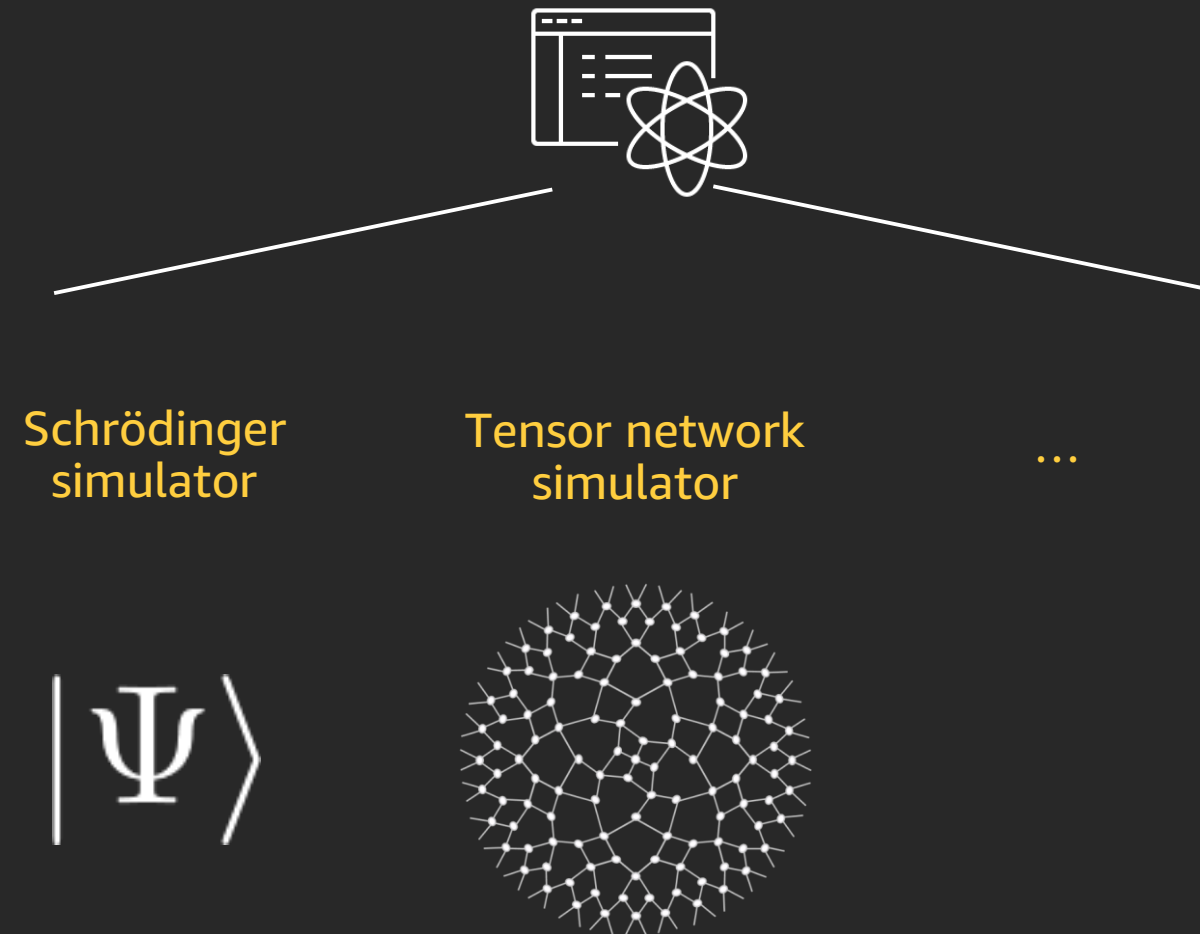
Test - Hosted circuit simulators



Serverless execution

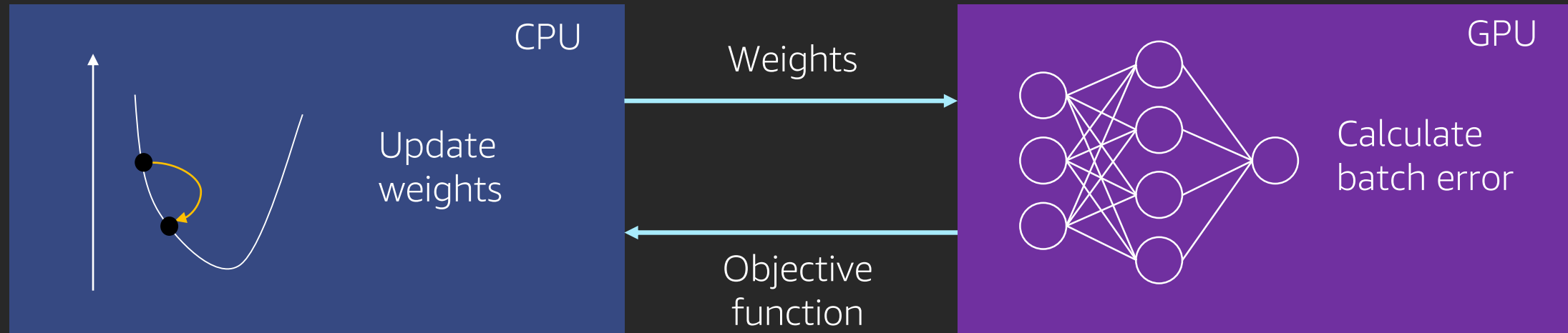
Optimized performance

Individual circuits and hybrid jobs

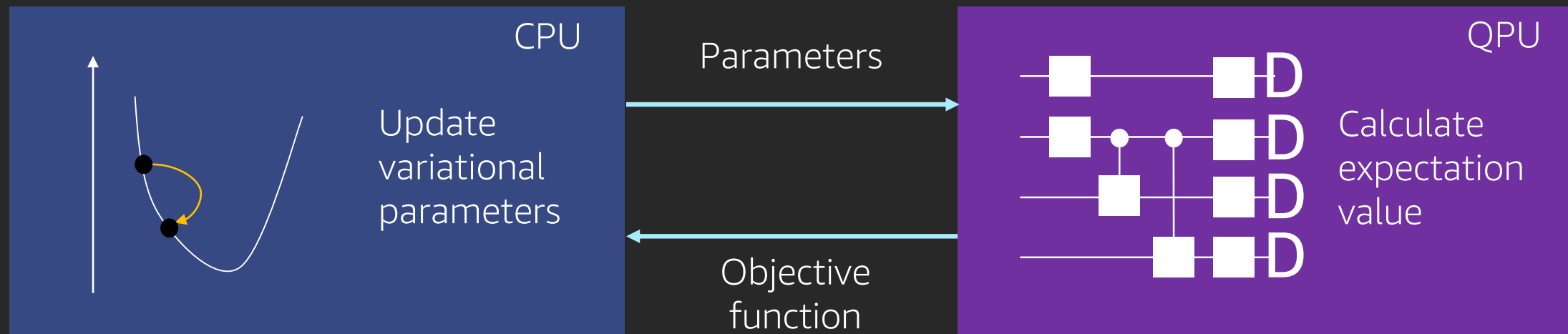


Near-term quantum computers will be used as co-processors

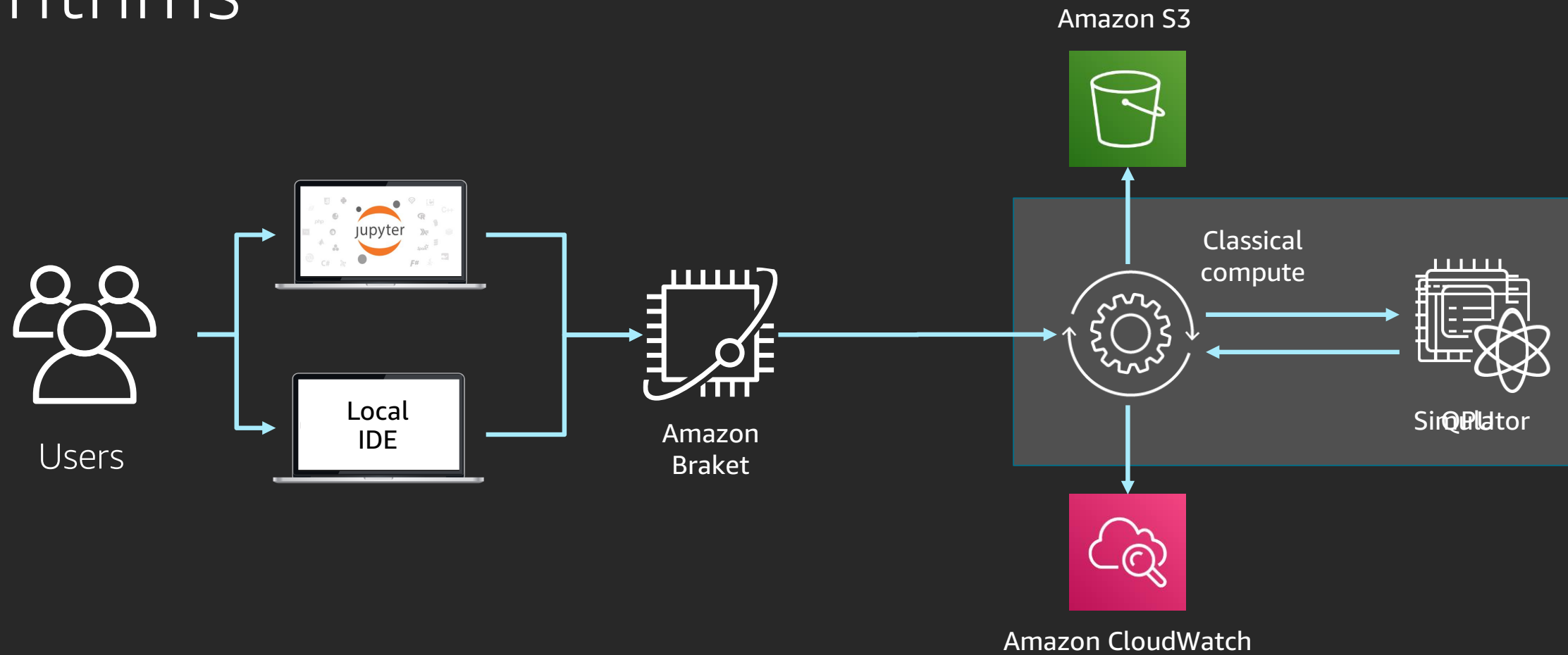
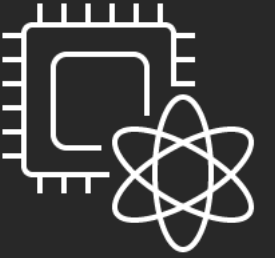
Machine learning



Variational quantum computing



Run – Managed execution of hybrid quantum algorithms



Fully managed
execution

Pay only for what you
use

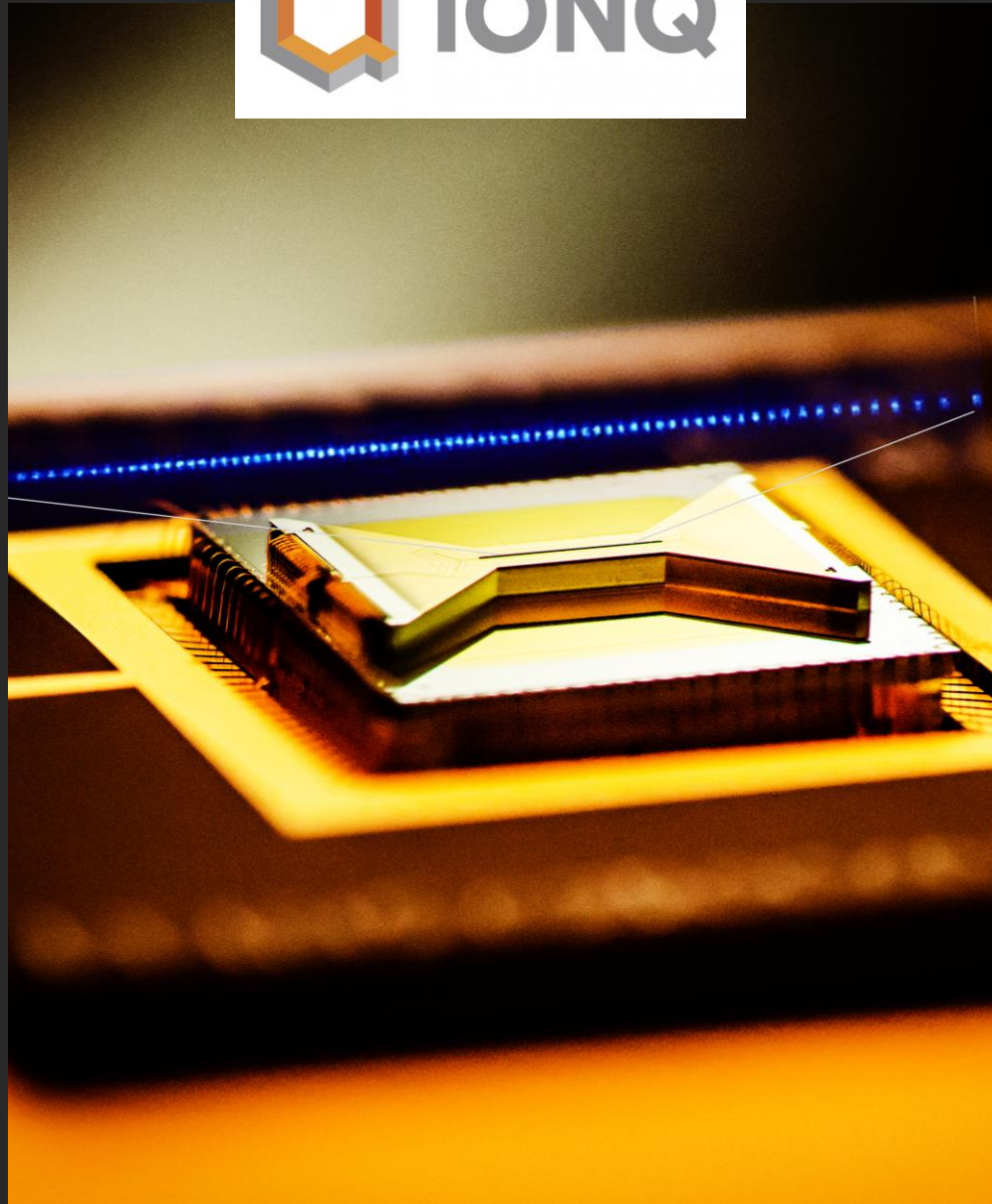
Change backend with a
single line of code

Amazon Braket provides secure, on-demand access to different quantum computing technologies

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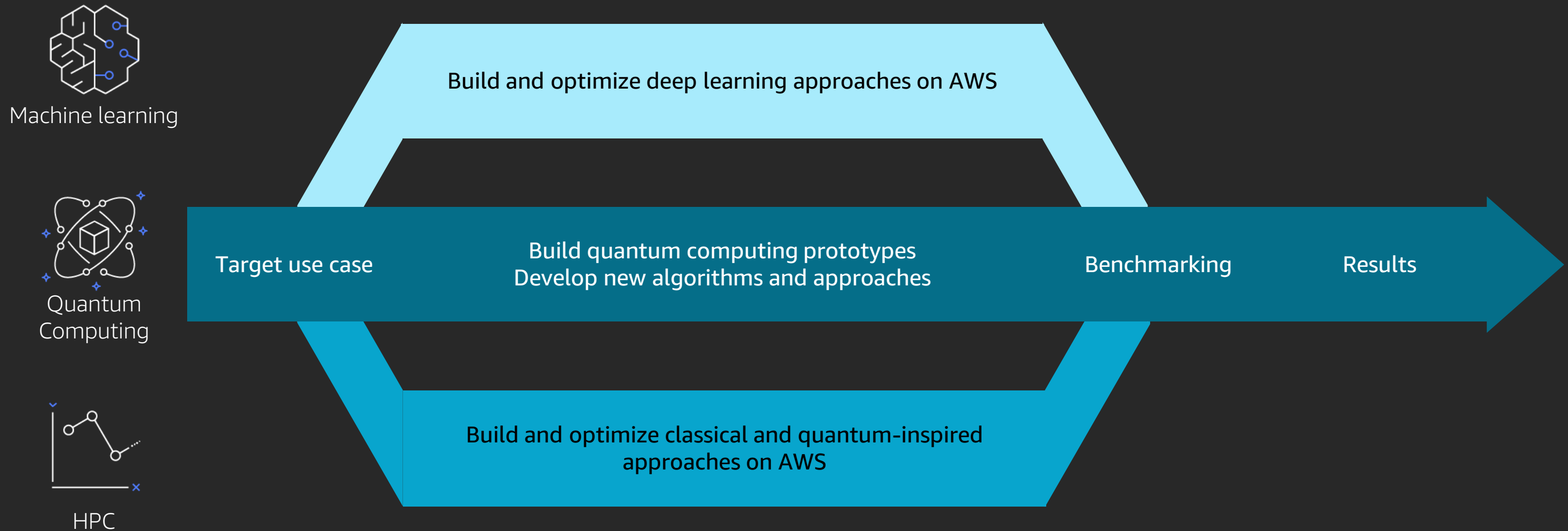


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Working backwards: quantum computing with Amazon Quantum Solutions Lab



Technology and consulting partners provide software and service solutions on Amazon Braket



QSIMULATE



1QBit

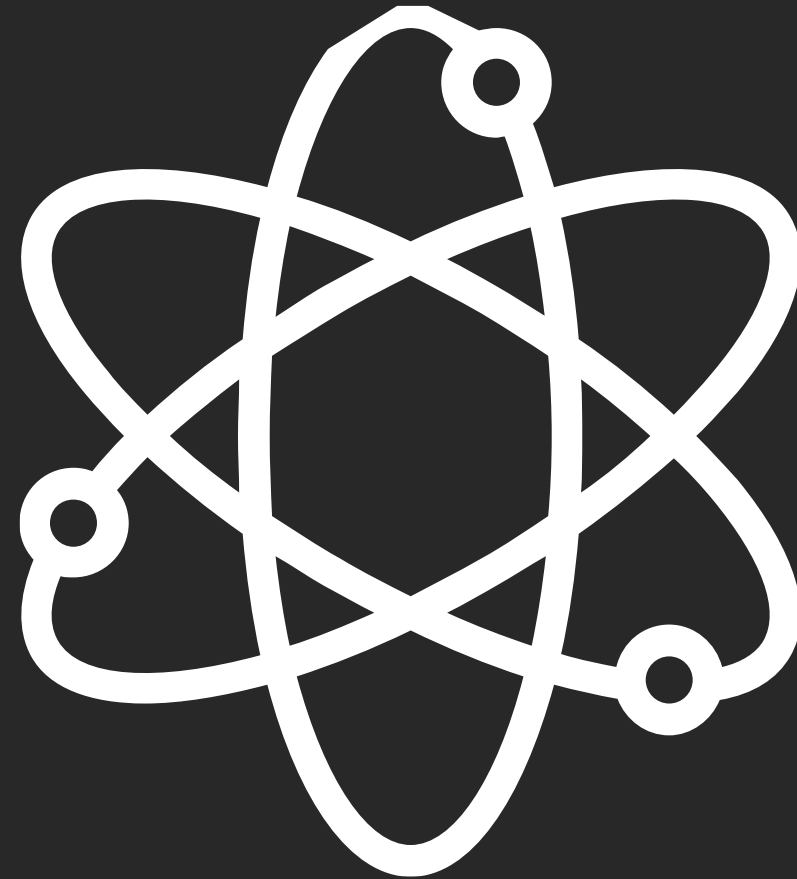


Introducing AWS Center for Quantum Computing

Near-term applications

Error correction & programming
models

Quantum hardware and
technologies



What's next?

“It's a marathon, not a sprint”

Amazon Braket in preview

Start researching the potential of quantum computing for your business with AWS

Thank you!



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