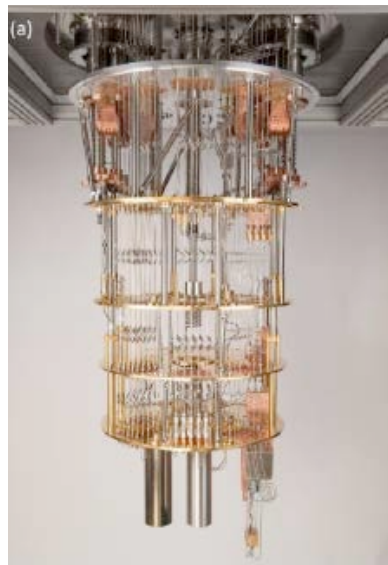
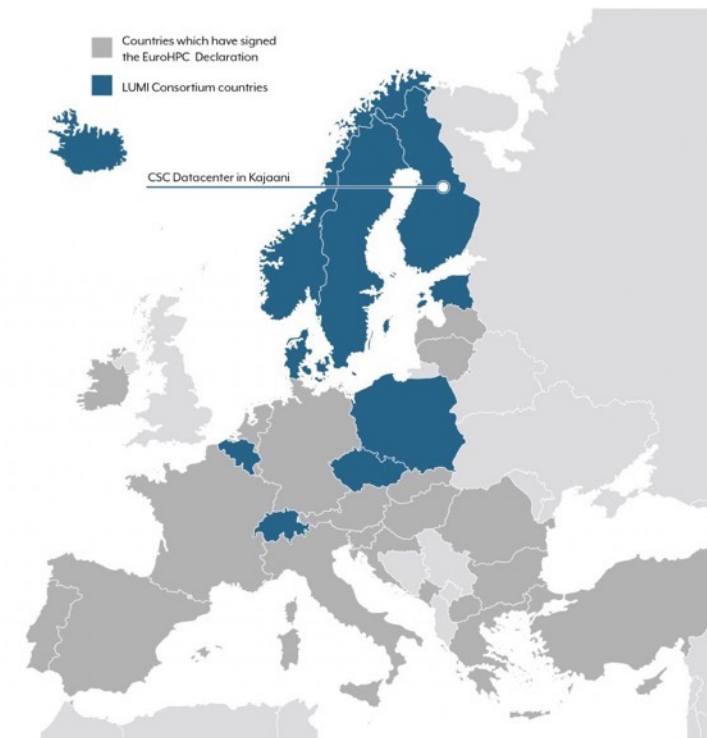
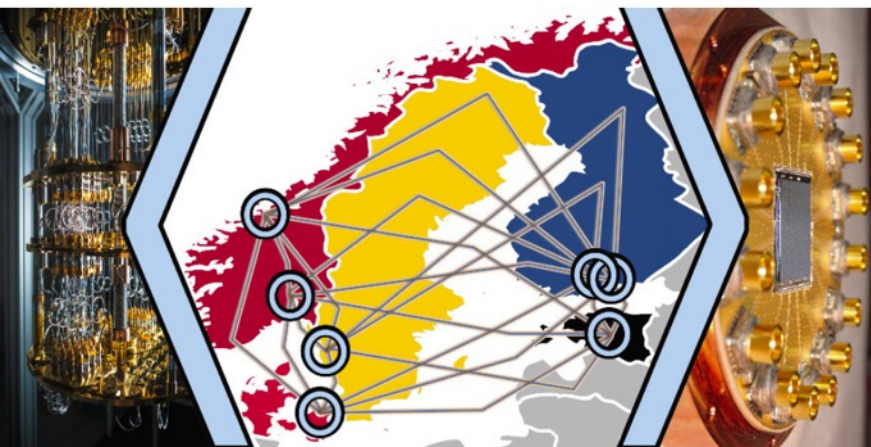
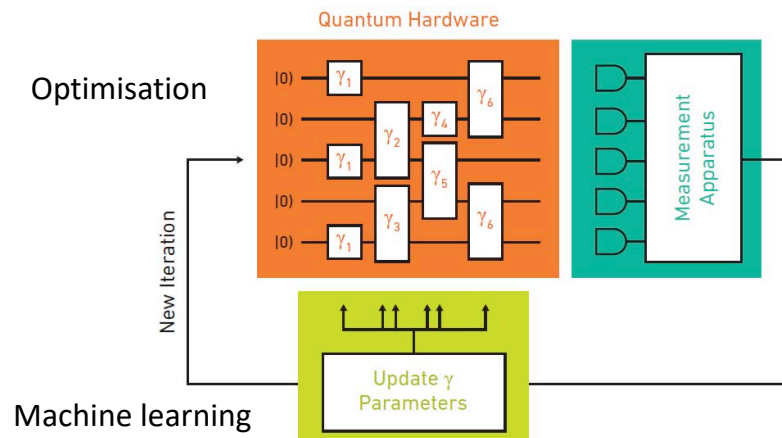


# Nordic-Estonian Quantum Computing e-Infrastructure Quest

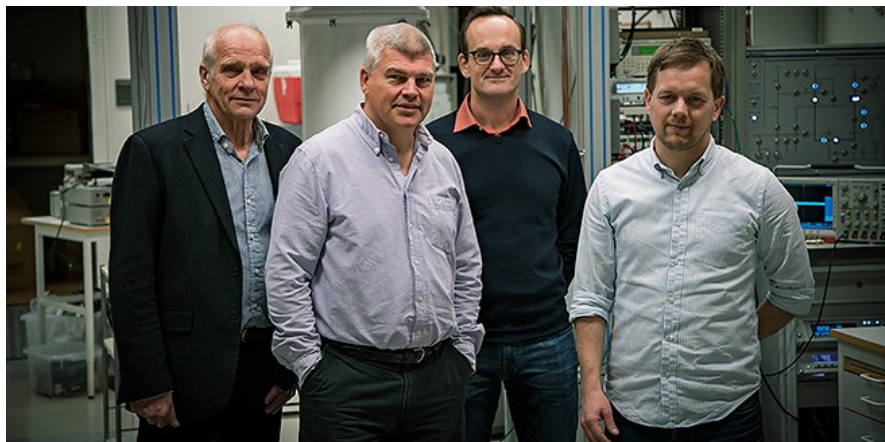


## NordQuEst

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## Wallenberg Centre for Quantum Technologies WACQT, 2018-2029 MC2, Chalmers U of Tech, Sweden



**Cryostat  
≈ 10 mK**



**Mission: to build a quantum processor  
with 100+ superconducting (Transmon) qubits**

**OpenSuperQ → OpenSuperQPlus (EU Quantum Flagship)**

**Mission: to build a 100+q full-stack QC by 2025 (and 1000+ by 2029 ....)**

## pre-exascale LUMI EuroHPC JU

### LUMI consortium partners:

Belgium: [Belgian Science Policy Office](#)

Czech Republic: [VSB – Technical University of Ostrava](#),  
[IT4Innovations National Supercomputing Center](#)

Denmark: [Universities Denmark](#)

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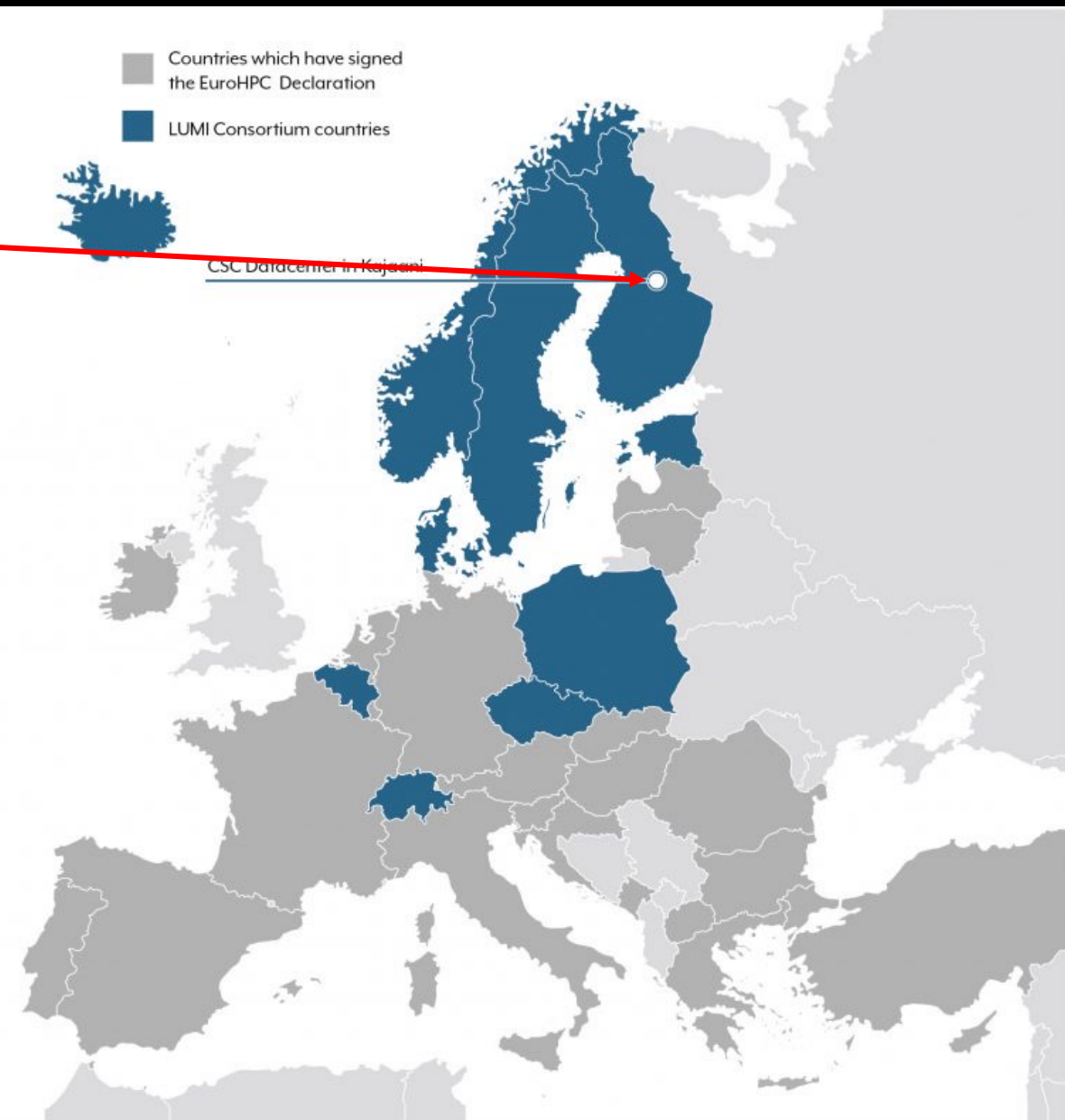
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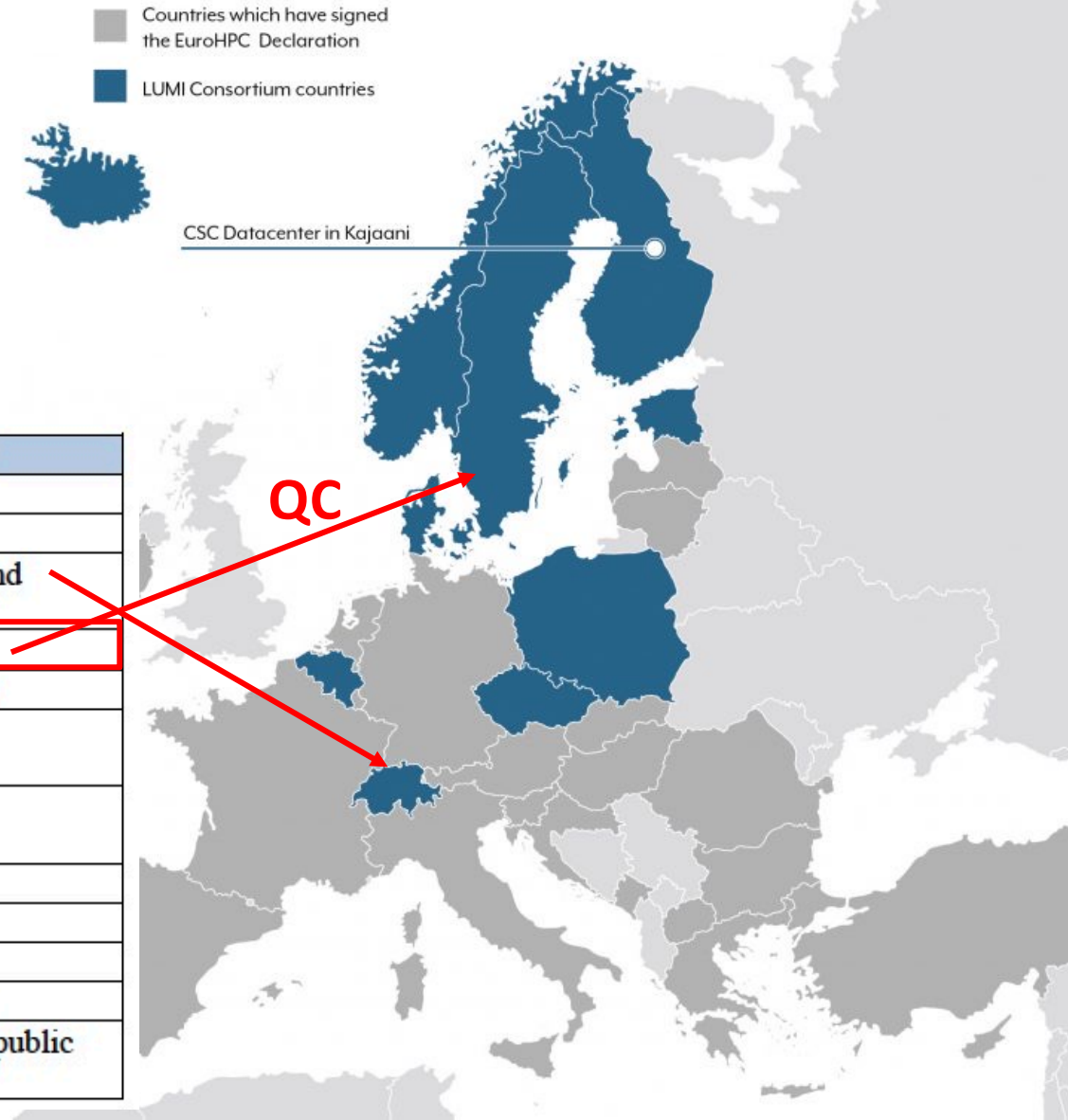




**EuroHPC JU  
proposal  
autumn 2020  
“almost succeeded”**

Sections 1-3

Proposal full title	LUMI-Q: The EuroHPC Quantum Simulation Infrastructure
Proposal acronym	LUMI-Q
Topic identifier	EuroHPC-2020-01-b
Type of action	EuroHPC-RIA
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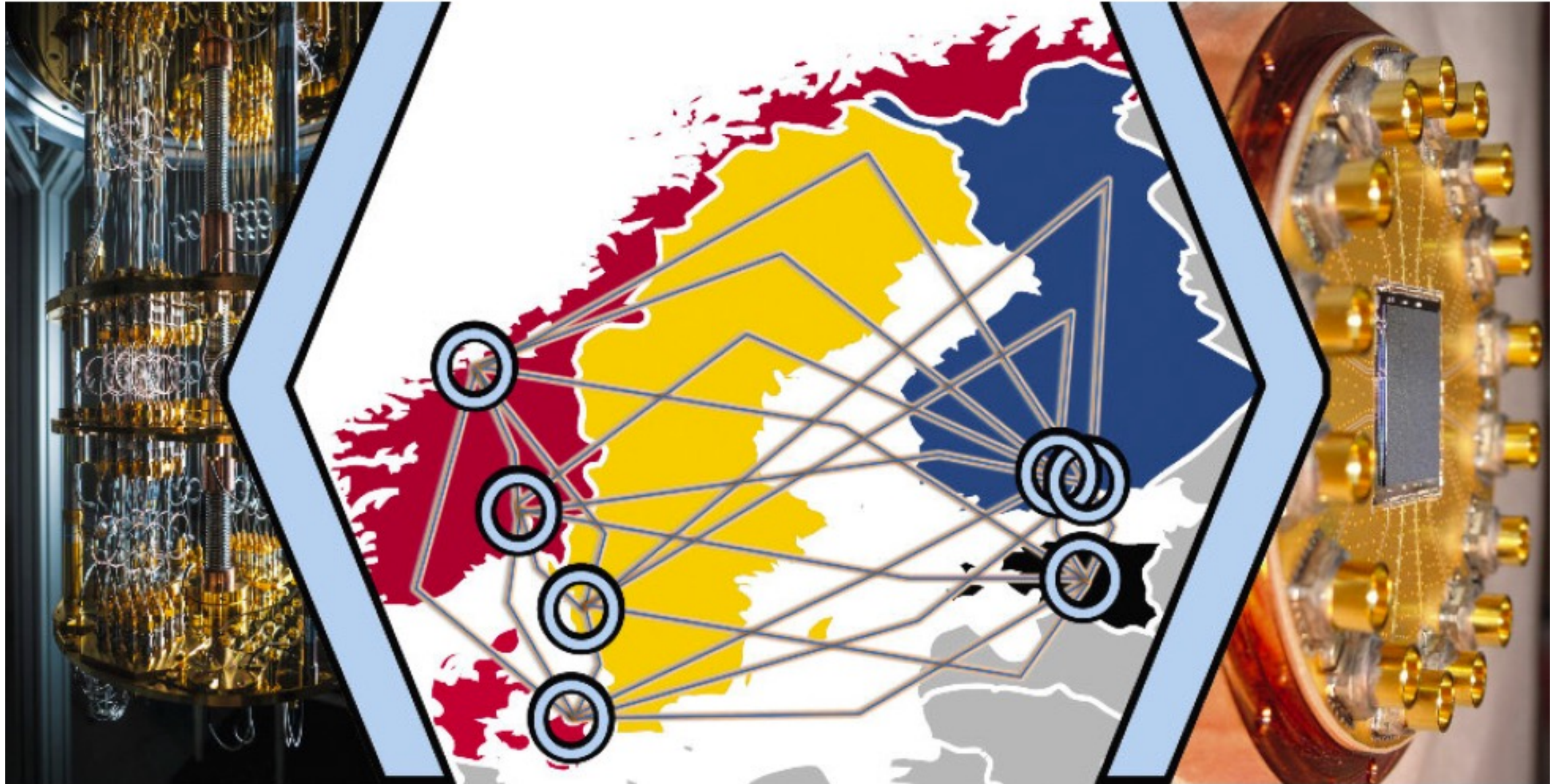


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4	CHALMERS TEKNISKA HOEGSKOLA AB	CHALMERS	Sweden
5	TECHNISCHE UNIVERSITAET MUENCHEN	TUM	Germany
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8	TARTU ULIKOOL	UTARTU	Estonia
9	SINTEF AS	SINTEF	Norway
10	SIMULA RESEARCH LABORATORY AS	SRL	Norway
11	UNIVERSITEIT HASSELT	UHASSELT	Belgium
12	VYSOKA SKOLA BANSKA - TECHNICKA UNIVERZITA OSTRAVA	IT4I	Czech Republic



*Depiction of the LUMI-Q concept, where several different quantum computing solutions are integrated with the LUMI supercomputing ecosystem.*

# The NordiQuEst result !!



# Nordic-Estonian Quantum Computing e-Infrastructure Quest

The logo for NordIQuest is displayed within a blue, rounded rectangular frame. The text 'NordIQuest' is rendered in a stylized font. 'Nord' is in red with a white outline, 'IQ' is in yellow with a black outline, and 'uest' is in white with a black outline. The background of the frame features a complex, fractal-like pattern in shades of blue and green.

**NordIQuest**

**Start 1 Feb 2022, 3 years**  
**Göran Wendin Project Manager**

of.  
Team Leader

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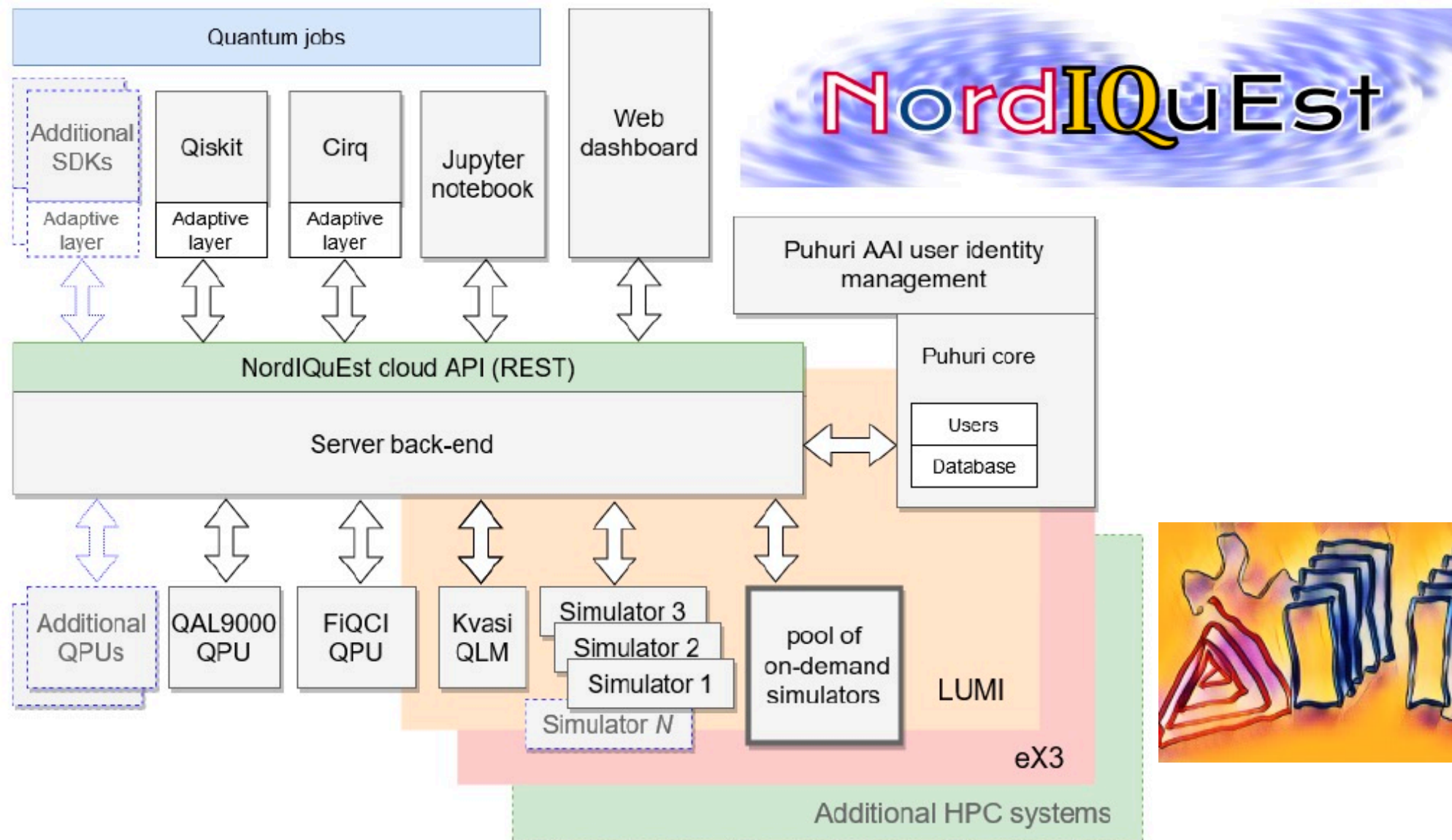
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VTT	Finland	Ville Kotovirta	Research Team Leader



# The NordIQuEst Mission

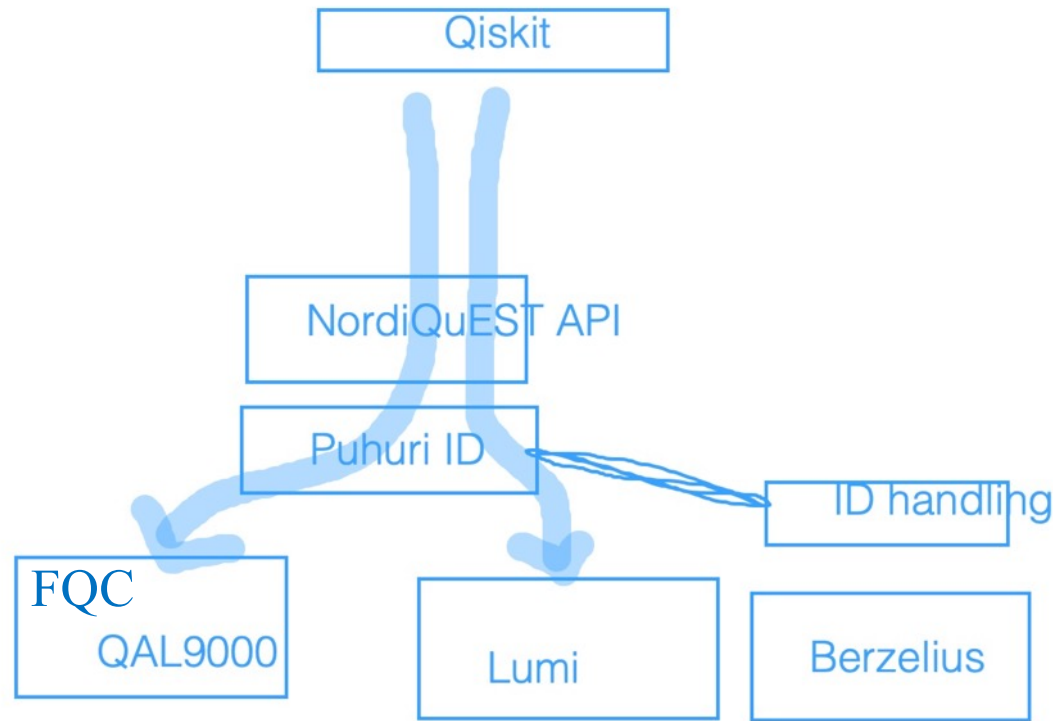
- **NordIQuEst** will deliver user and computer **interfaces**, quantum program **libraries**, **training** and **education** events and material, as well as user **support**.
- **Pooling of resources and collaboration** for reaching critical mass, **providing access** to several **Nordic quantum computers (QPU)** and **QC simulators (SW+HPC)**
- **Chalmers** and **VTT** will **connect** their current QCs to the **NordIQuEst Rest API**
- **CSC** will **connect LUMI** and **the Atos QLM** quantum simulator to the **NordIQuEst API**
- By the end of this project, a **sustainable functioning, truly multi-purpose Nordic quantum computing ecosystem** will be established and ready to be further exploited

# NordiQuEst in a nutshell

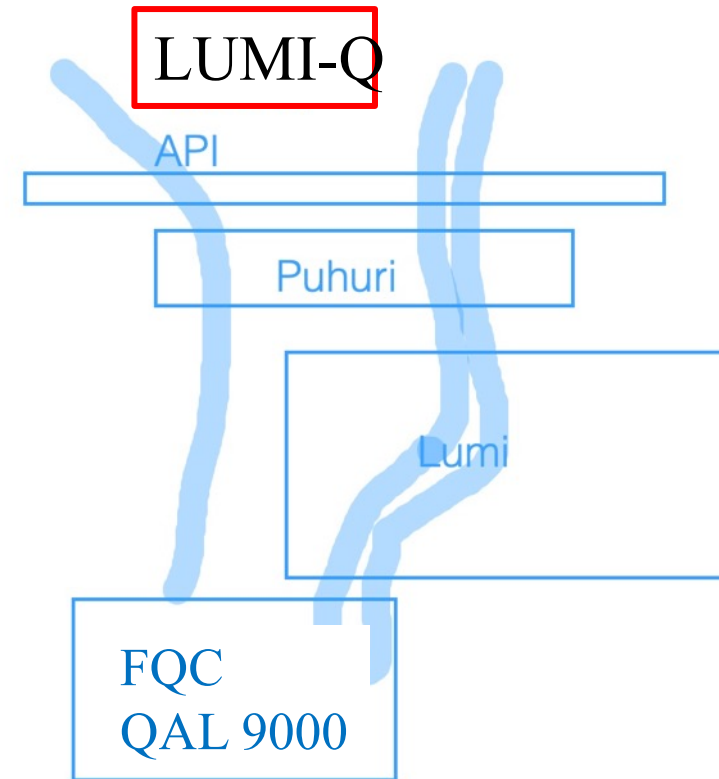


# The difference between NordIQuEst and LUMI-Q and the meaning of “connect”

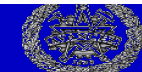
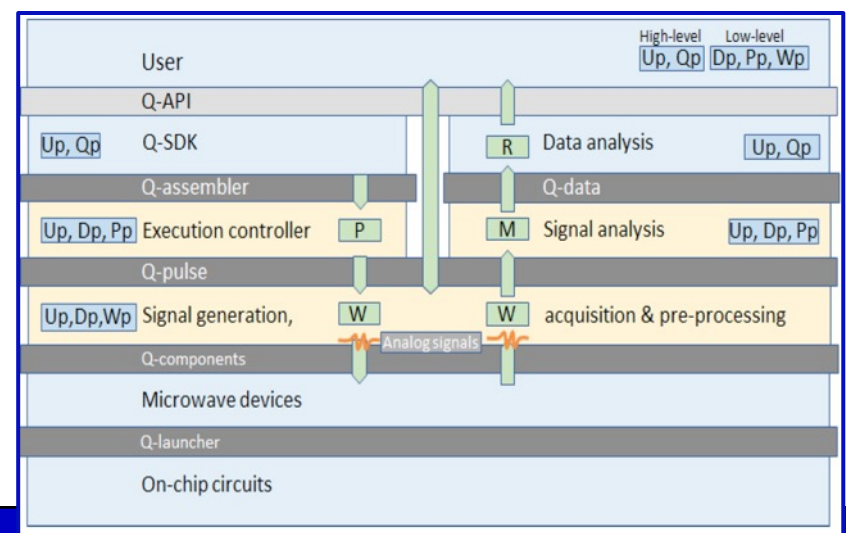
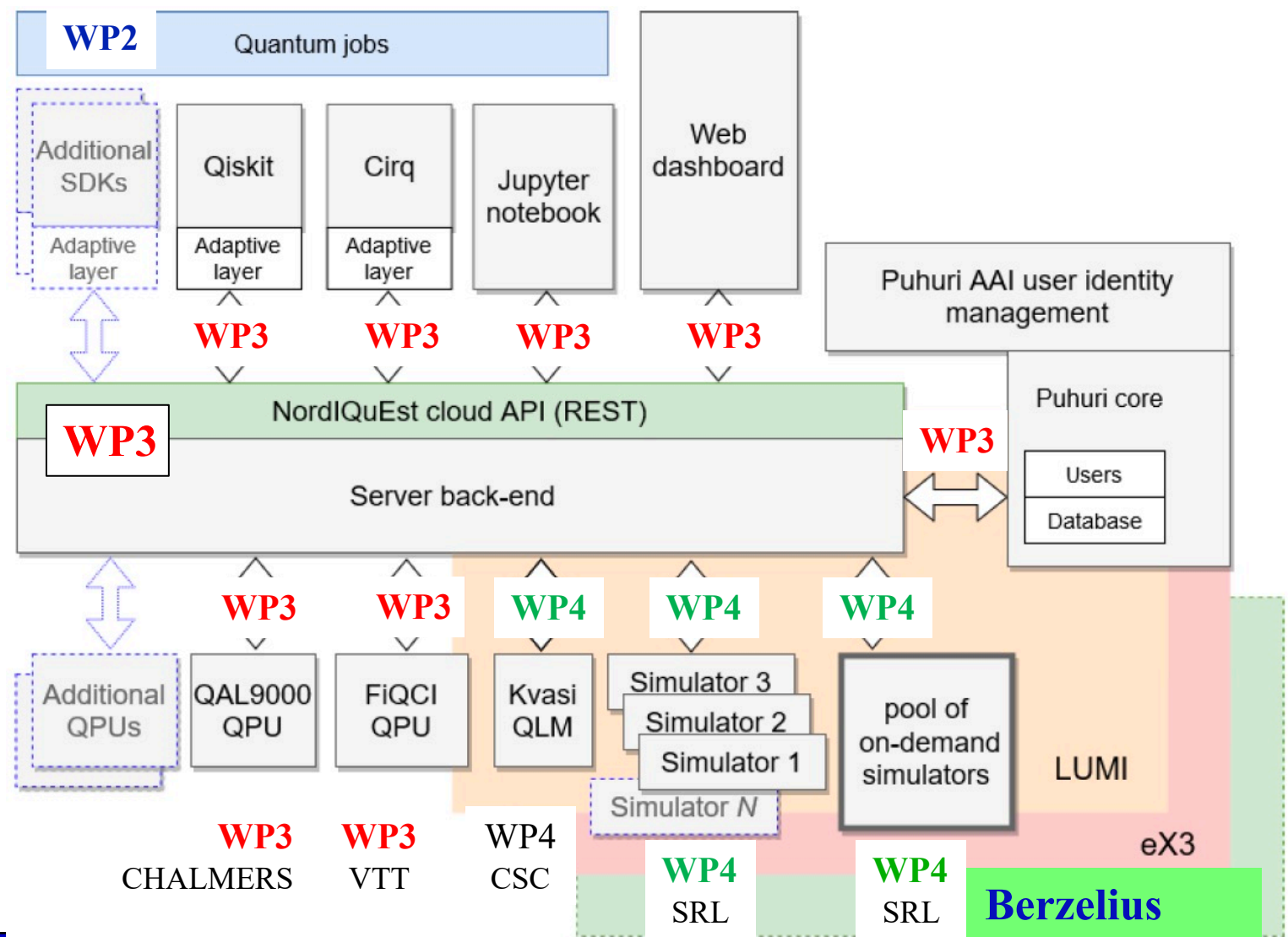
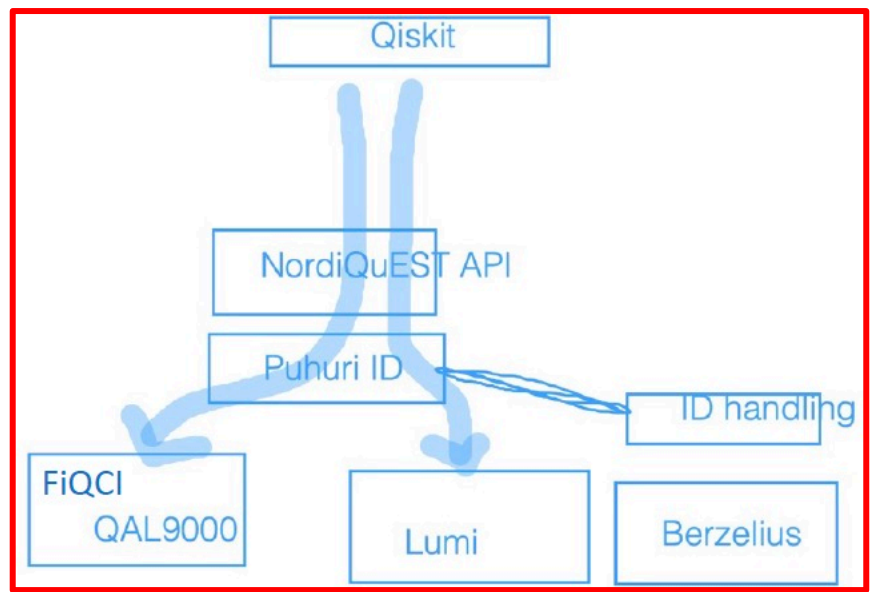
## NordIQuest



## LUMI-Q



WP2: Library of use cases:  
QAOA, VQE, .....



- MD1.1 Presentation material on the opportunities of and for quantum computing prepared
- MD1.2 First report on the user-base
- MD1.3 Final report on the user-base, including progress and change report
- MD2.1 Installation of quantum programming frameworks
- MD2.2 Sample QAOA application library
- MD2.3 **Problem library with rules**
- MD2.4 Testing and debugging framework
- MD3.1 **The NordIQuEst API defined, access vetted through Puhuri**
- MD3.2 **Real quantum computers connected**
- MD3.3 **Adaptive layers for Qiskit and Cirq created**
- MD4.1 **Kvasi, the Atos Quantum Learning Machine connected**
- MD4.2 **Large and accelerated simulators connected**
- MD4.3 **Pool of smaller on-demand simulators, suitable for education connected**
- MD5.1 NordIQuEst home page
- MD5.2 FAQ section
- MD5.3 **User guides**
- MD5.4 Training and presentation material
- MD5.5 Blog posts and other topical issues
- MD6.1 Detailed plan on training and education
- MD6.2 Training events and course material for various target groups
- MD6.3 Guest lectures

Service or tool	Description	DK users	EE users	FI users	IS users	NO users	SE users	Nordic users (in total)	Int. users
Kvasi	The Atos Quantum Learning Machine (QLM) advanced quantum computer simulator appliance at CSC	0 (150)	0 (50)	50 (500)	0 (20)	0 (150)	0 (150)	50 (1020)	10 (50)
Qiskit + IBM-Q	Using Qiskit for research in quantum information processing, either with local simulator, IBM Q simulator, or IBM Q quantum devices.	20 (100)	30 (50)	20 (100)	5 (20)	15 (100)	50 (500)	140 (870)	ca 200,000
Qiskit + NordIQuEst	New service, alongside Qiskit + IBM-Q.	0 (500)	0 (50)	0 (500)	0 (50)	0 (500)	0 (500)	0 (2150)	0 (500)
Cirq locally	Using Cirq for research in quantum-computational chemistry (OpenFermion) or quantum machine learning (TensorFlow Quantum). Only possible with a local simulator, i.e., restricted to tiny emulations; no quantum device access.	10 (100)	10 (30)	10 (100)	5 (20)	10 (100)	5 (10)	50 (360)	ca 20,000
Cirq + NordIQuEst	New service, Replaces using Cirq with local simulator, making realistic-size emulation as well as computations on quantum devices available to researchers.	0 (250)	0 (30)	0 (250)	0 (25)	0 (250)	0 (250)	0 (1075)	0 (500)
QHub	University of Tartu Physics Institute's high-end GPU+multi-core quantum emulation compute server used for teaching and research.	0 (10)	20 (30)	0 (10)	0 (5)	0 (10)	0 (10)	20 (75)	0 (0)
OQC	<u>Open source algorithm library developed by the Gemini center <a href="https://github.com/OpenQuantumComputing">https://github.com/OpenQuantumComputing</a></u>	0 (100)	0 (10)	0 (100)	0 (10)	20 (100)	0 (100)	20 (440)	2 (50)
FiQCI QPU	The Finnish Quantum-Computing Infrastructure (FiQCI) is based on the first Finnish quantum computer developed in the leadership of VTT, and the computing infrastructure provided by CSC. FiQCI provides quantum-computing resources and services and aims at accelerating the development of quantum computing knowhow and applications in academia and industries.	0 (200)	0 (50)	0 (500)	0 (25)	0 (200)	0 (200)	0 (1075)	0 (50)
QAL9000 QPU	QAL9000 is a Swedish superconducting quantum processor (QPU) developed within the WACQT project with support from OpenSuperQ (EU). It is currently at the 5 qubit level, and will operate 20 qubits by mid-2022 using the API- and Service-structure described in WP3. The structure already exists at the research level and will be used to operate present and upcoming generations of QPUs.	0 (100)	0 (40)	0 (50)	0 (10)	0 (100)	20 (1000)	20 (1300)	5 (50)
NordIQuEst service portal	The main entry point to the computing services set up by NordIQuEst	0 (500)	0 (100)	0 (500)	0 (50)	0 (500)	0 (800)	0 (2450)	0 (500)

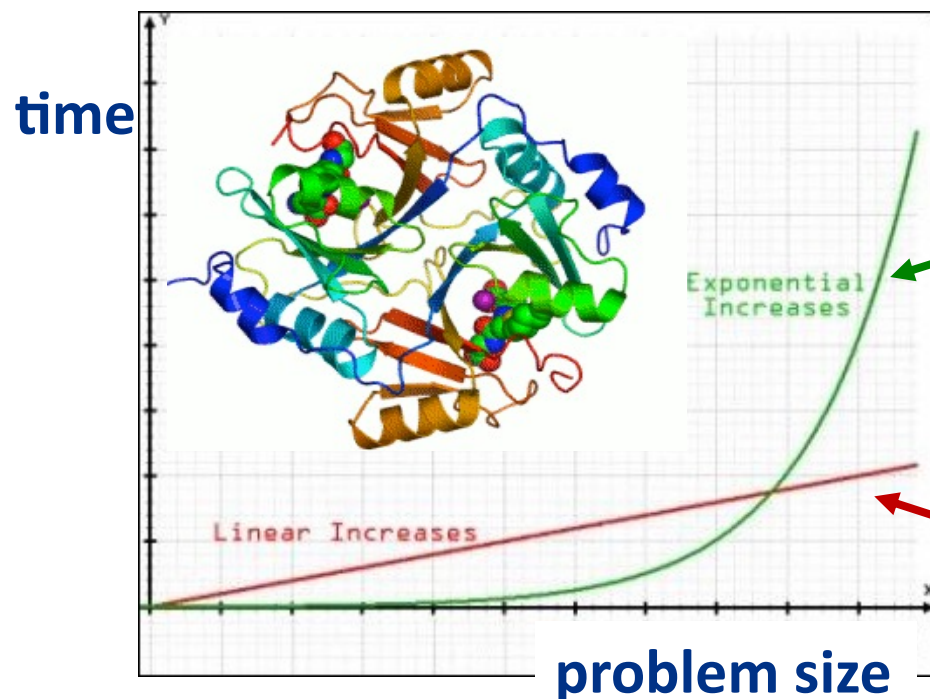
→ We need QC for **exponential speed-up** to solve (approximately!) **hard problems** with finite resources (time, memory). (to reduce energy consumption, if nothing else ...)

The original “killer application”: **Shor’s algorithm for factorisation (1995)**

Today, the typical killer applications are “use cases”:

- **Quantum Chemistry** – designing **enzymes and catalysers**
- **Materials science** – describing **strong electron correlations**
- **Optimization** - **logistics, scheduling, ...**

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



TTS (time-to-solution)  
for a HPC:

Grows exponentially

TTS for a quantum  
computer:

Grows  
linearly/polynomially

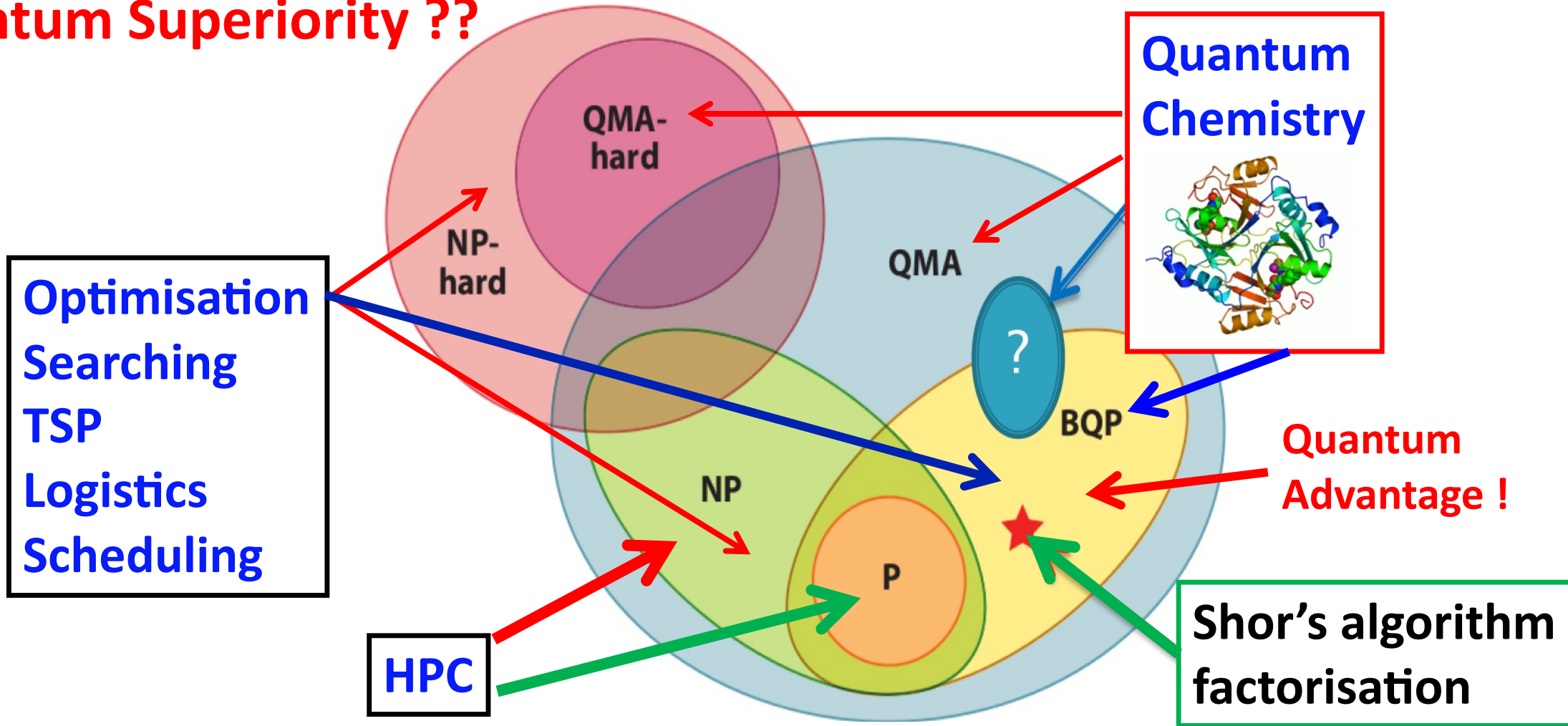
No Quantum Advantage



# Complexity class landscape

Quantum Advantage ?

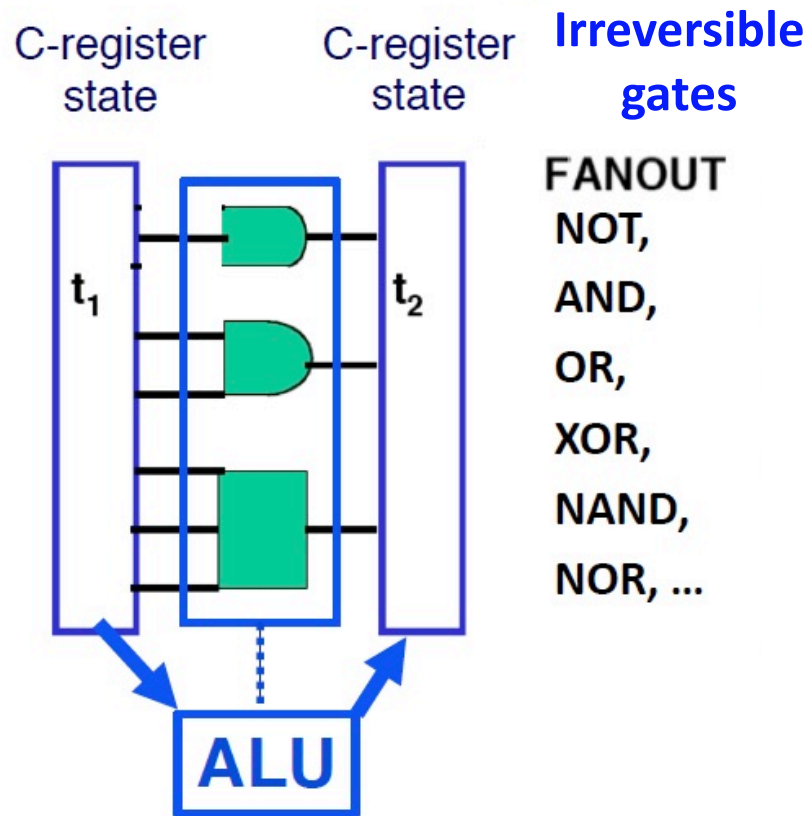
Quantum Superiority ??





### HPC frontend

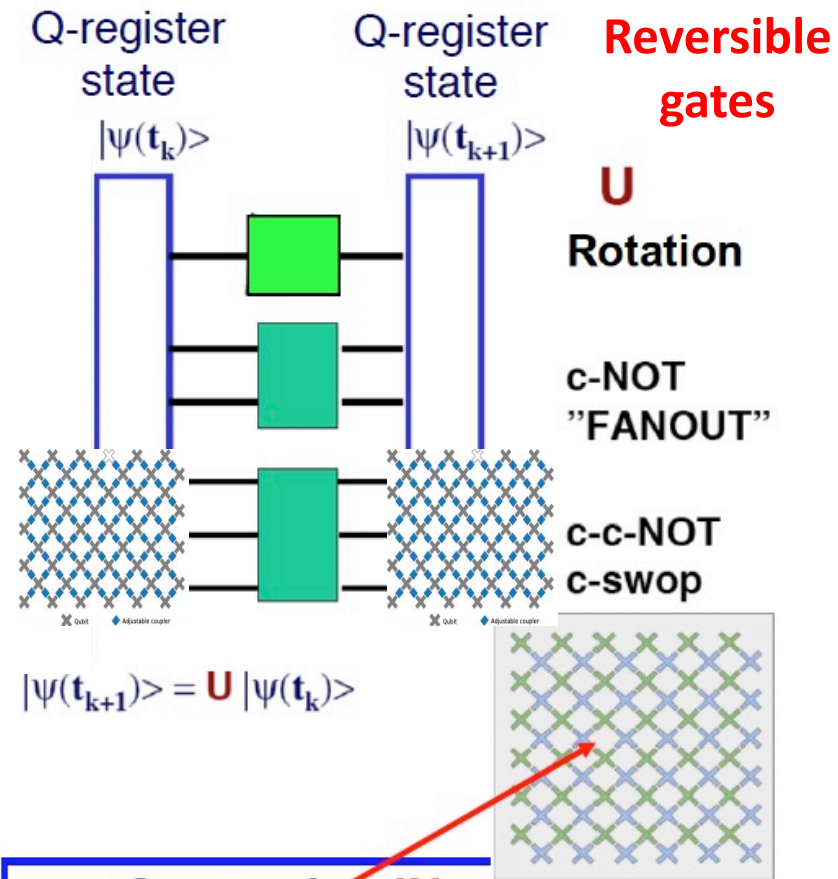
#### CC: Classical gates



Computing **FROM/TO** memory  
The memory is the storage

### QC backend

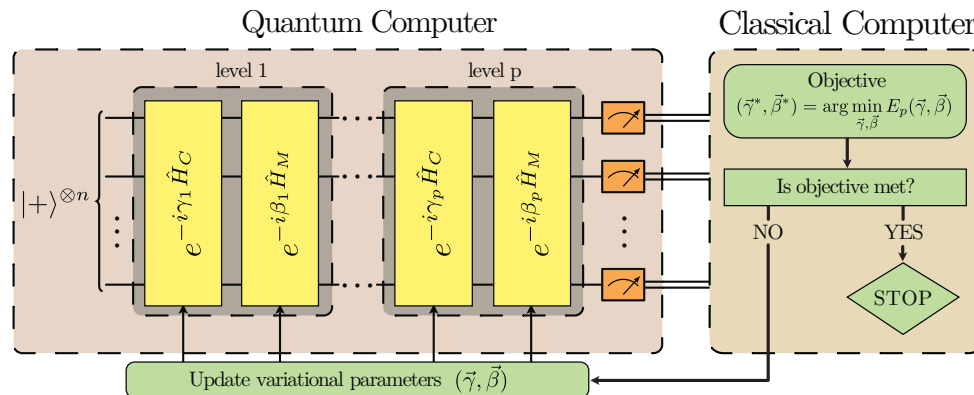
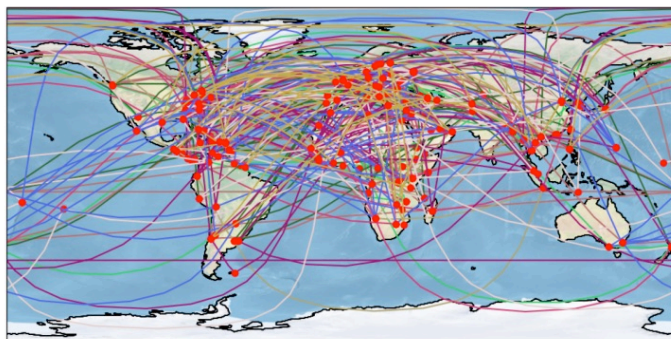
#### QC: Quantum gates



Computing **IN** memory  
The memory is the computer







**Flight Optimization:** QAOA for the Tail Assignment problem (“Traveling Salesman” **ExactCover**, NP-complete) on FZJ q-simulators

*Problem instance of a tail-assignment problem.*

- the 472 flights between the airports that have to be performed;
- unique solution with 9 routes covering the 472 flights exactly once.

**Collaboration Chalmers/Jeppesen/FZJ;**  
**HPC/GPU Q-simulation**

**40 qubits;** unique ground state solution:

**|0000000001010010011001000001000000000110 >**

Each qubit represents a flight route.  
The 9 1`s represent 9 routes covered exactly once



P. Vikstål et al., Applying the Quantum Approximate Optimization Algorithm to the Tail Assignment Problem, *Phys. Rev. Appl.* **14**, 034009 (2020). (**25q simulation**)

A. Bengtsson, et al. *Phys. Rev. Appl.* **14**, 034010 (2020).

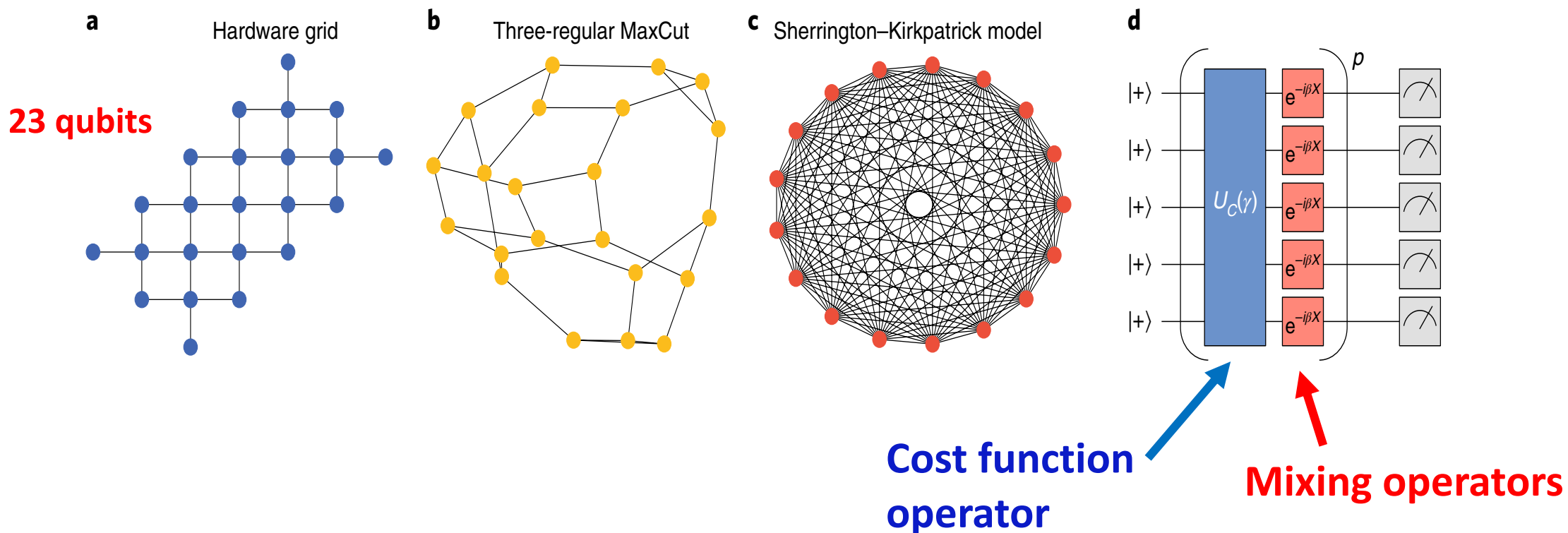
**Exp: 2 qubit processor.**

N. Lacroix, ... A. Wallraff, *Phys. Rev. X Quantum* **1**, 110304 (2020).

**Exp: 7 qubit processor.**



- Harrigan et al. (Google), *Quantum approximate optimization of non-planar graph problems on a planar superconducting processor*, Nature Physics **17**, 332–336 (2021)  
(Theory & exp; 54 qubit superconducting QPU)



**Rayleigh-Ritz**

$$E(\theta) = \langle \psi(\theta) | \hat{H} | \psi(\theta) \rangle \geq E_0; \quad \hat{H} = \sum_i \hat{H}_i$$

**Superposition  
Entanglement**

Quantum circuit/  
state function  
created by HPC !!

**Quantum circuit  
trial function**

$$|\psi(\theta)\rangle$$

**QC**

**HPC**

Quantum Hardware

Quantum state  
tomography (exp)  
**Distribution via  
sampling**

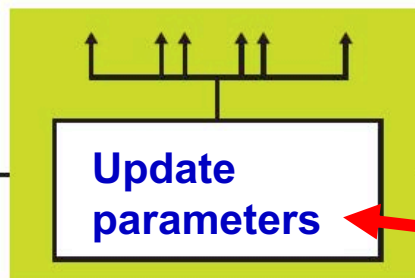
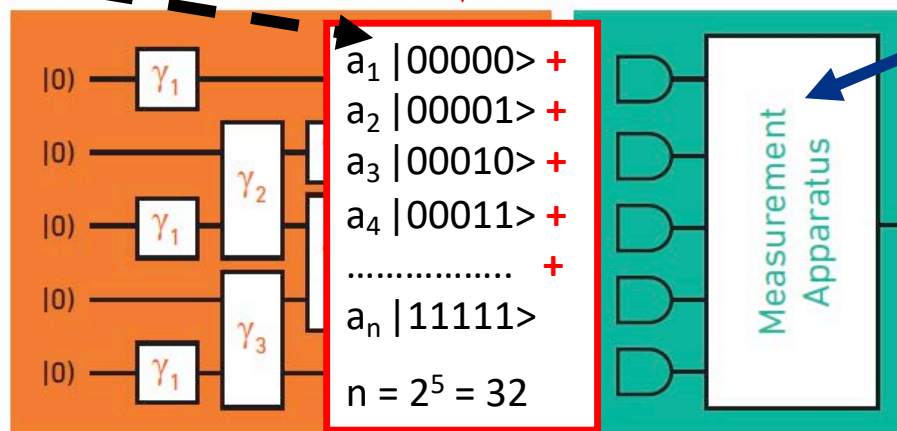
Evaluate cost  
function **with  
sample distribution**

Quantum Approximate  
Optimization Algorithm  
**(QAOA)**

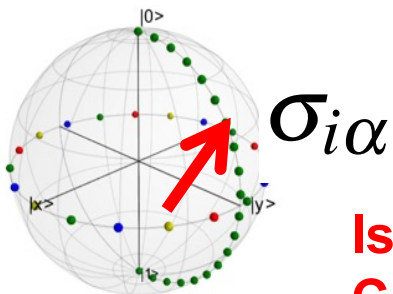
Quantum Variational  
Eigensolver  
**(VQE)**

Optimisation

New Iteration



**Minimize cost function**  $\sum_i \langle \psi | \hat{H}_i | \psi \rangle$

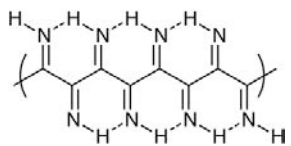


**Ising-type  
Cost function**

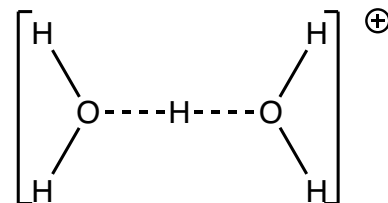
$$\hat{H} = \sum_{i\alpha} h_{i\alpha} \sigma_{i\alpha} + \sum_{i\alpha, j\beta} h_{i\alpha, j\beta} \sigma_{i\alpha} \sigma_{j\beta} + \sum_{i\alpha, j\beta, k\gamma} h_{i\alpha, j\beta, k\gamma} \sigma_{i\alpha} \sigma_{j\beta} \sigma_{k\gamma} + \dots$$

# Benchmarking VQE for “large” molecules

- H<sub>2</sub>O (8q, 20q)
- **HCN (15q, 33q, 69q)**
- **Water clusters:** [H<sub>2</sub>O-OH]<sup>-</sup>, [H<sub>2</sub>O]<sub>2</sub>; H<sup>+</sup>[H<sub>2</sub>O]<sub>2</sub> (19-22q)
- **Water chains: Hydrogen bonding and proton transfer**
- **HCN isomerisation:** HCN → HNC
- **HCN polymerisation:** HCNH<sup>+</sup>, (CN)<sub>2</sub>, HCN-OH (17-25q)
- NC-CN (29q)
- N<sub>2</sub> (64q)
- **HCN (69q)**
- C=C=C (98q)



Pople basis sets:  
 “Minimal”: STO-6G  
 “Large”: 6-31G, .....



## HPC simulation

- 16 847 variational parameters
- 6 784 465 gates (6 172 486 CNOT)
- Circuit depth 6 390 393)
- One quantum circuit: **Not possible, not even on (post)exascale HPC!!**

**VQE**

6-31+G\*

**QPU: Rough estimate: (50 ns 2q gate time)**

- **One single quantum circuit: minimum 300 ms**
- **Needs a 69q QPU coherent for > 300 ms**
- **TTS: 0.3 x 16847 x 10 ≈ 15 hours (minimum)**

**Qiskit (IBM)**

**HF**

**VQE**

**|UCCSD>**

**SLSQP**

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**Transpiler optimization level 1**  
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**iMac i9**

**8 cores**

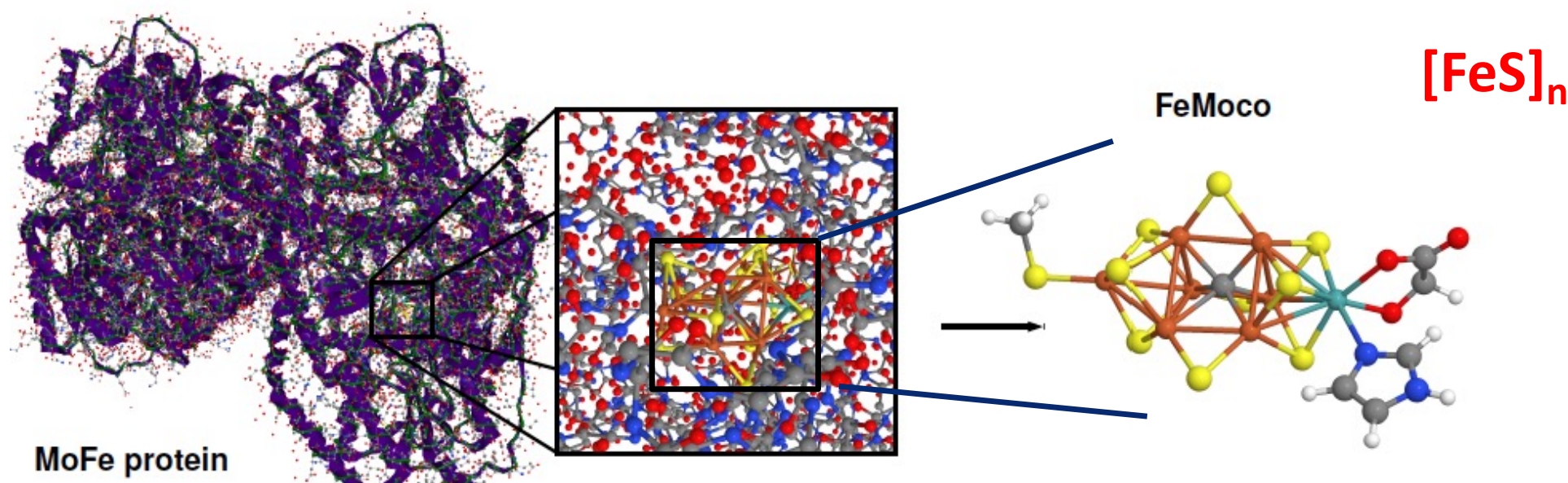
**3.6 Ghz**

**128 GB RAM**

P. Lolur, M. Rahm, M. Skogh, L. García-Álvarez, and G. Wendin, *AIP Conference Proceedings*, Vol. 2362 (2021); arXiv:2010.13578



Nitrogenase protein: iron molybdenum cofactor FeMoco



## Elucidating reaction mechanisms on quantum computers

M. Reiher, N. Wiebe, K. M. Svore, D. Wecker, and M. Troyer

PNAS **114**, 7555-7560 (2017)

# That's All Folks!

Questions?



Comments?