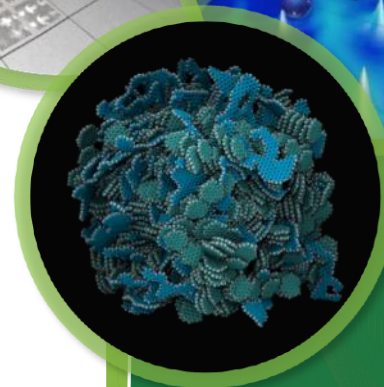
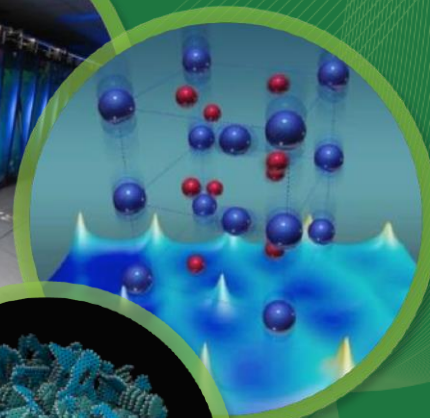


# Quantum Computing & Scientific Applications at ORNL

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# ORNL at a glance: DOE's largest science and energy laboratory

\$1.65B  
budget

4,400  
employees

3,000  
research  
guests  
annually

\$500M  
modernization  
investment

Nation's  
largest  
materials  
research  
portfolio

Most  
powerful open  
scientific  
computing  
facility

World's  
most intense  
neutron  
source

World-class  
research  
reactor

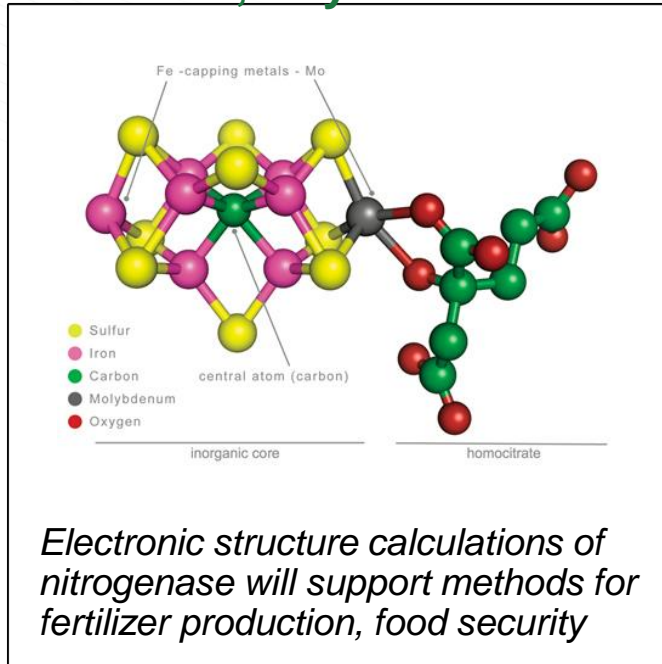
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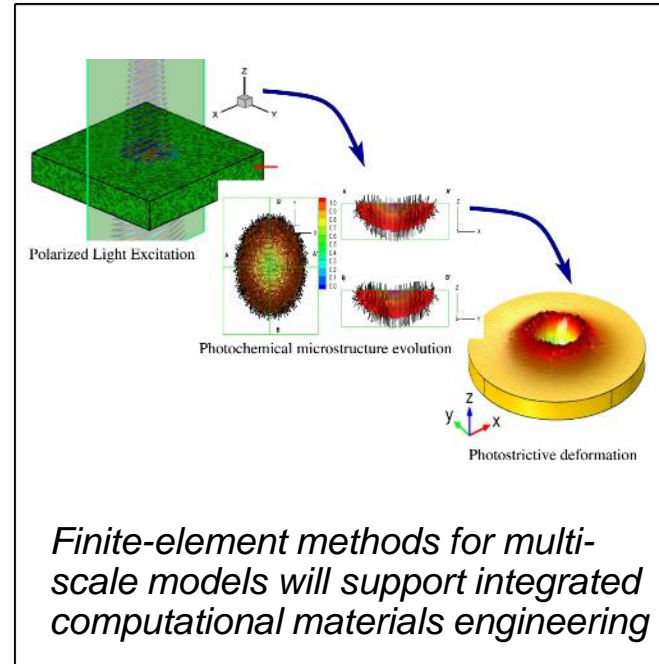
# Quantum Computing at ORNL: Applications

- Scientific discovery and energy security with quantum computing

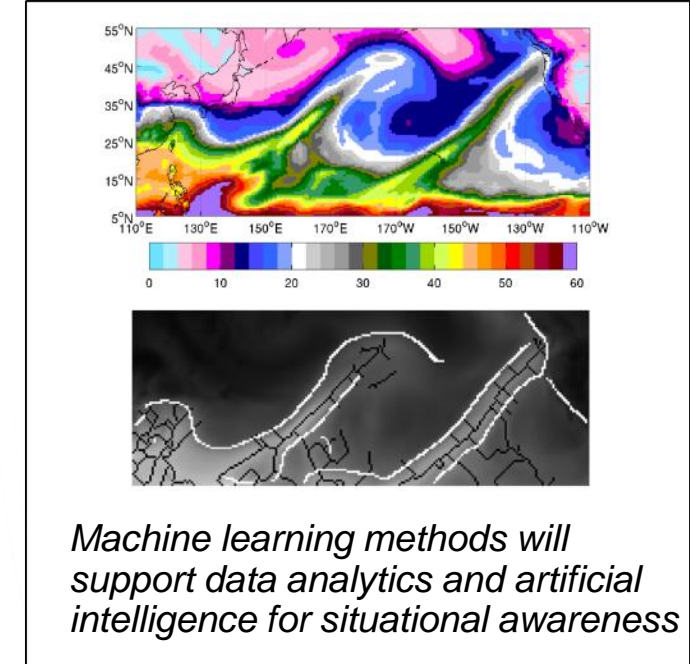
## Physical Sciences: Chemistry, Materials Sciences, Physics



## Applied Sciences: Energy, Medicine, Engineering



## Data Sciences: Applied Math, Analytics, Artificial Intelligence,



# Quantum Computing at ORNL: Organization & Funding

- **Quantum Computing Institute**
  - Translational research for scientific applications, quantum computing user community
- **Quantum Information Science Group**
  - Subject matter experts in quantum computing, communication, and sensing
- **Quantum Computing Materials and Interfaces (FY16-18)**
  - LDRD initiative to develop new capabilities in material science for quantum computing
- **DOE ASCR Early Career Award in Quantum Computing (FY16-21)**
  - Quantum software infrastructure and performance analysis using modeling and simulation
- **DOE ASCR Quantum Algorithms Team (FY17-20)**
  - Applications development for chemistry, nuclear physics, and machine learning domains
- **DOE ASCR Quantum Testbed Pathfinder (FY17-22)**
  - Software-hardware codesign of quantum computing systems for scientific applications
- **Multiple Strategic Partnership Projects**

# Quantum Computing Institute

- **We focus on translational research of quantum systems and applications**
  - Identify priorities, end users, stakeholders
  - Address near-term technology stack through multi-disciplinary collaborations
- **We build partnerships with external stakeholders and collaborators**
  - Enable support with quantum hardware, software, and expert resources
- **We engage the community through education and user support**
  - Build the future workforce
  - Communications and events



# Quantum Computing User Community

- We are providing state-of-the-art quantum computing resources to the user community through strategic partnerships, collaborations, and on-site resources



Quantum Computing Institute  
Oak Ridge National Laboratory



Universities

Industry

Government

**D:wave**  
The Quantum Computing Company™

**IBM** **Google**

**IONQ** **rigetti**

**Atos**

**OLCF**  
OAK RIDGE LEADERSHIP COMPUTING FACILITY

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# Quantum Information Science Group in ORNL Organization

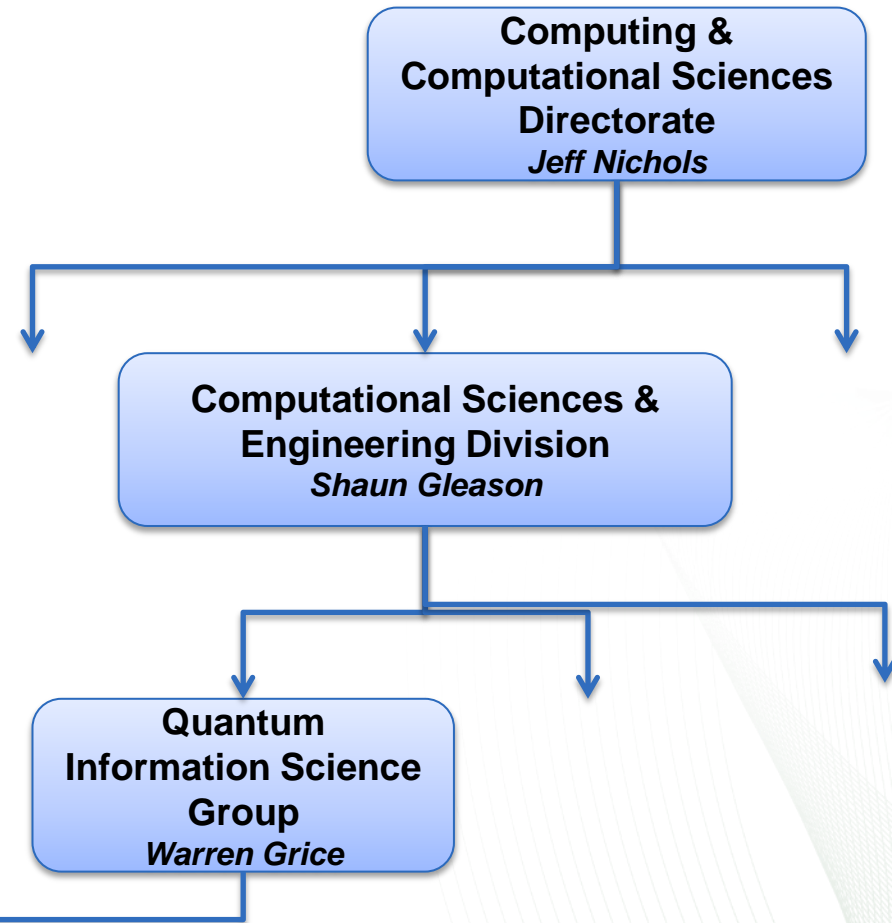
## QIS Group



11 full-time  
staff

6 Postdocs

2 Interns



# QIS teams

QIS

## Quantum Communication

*Privacy assurance for data storage & distribution*

*– Nick Peters*

## Quantum Computing

*Scalable algorithms for science, industry, &*

*security – Travis Humble*

## Quantum-Enhanced Sensing

*Better data with less time and energy*

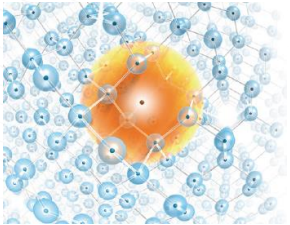
*– Raphael Pooser*



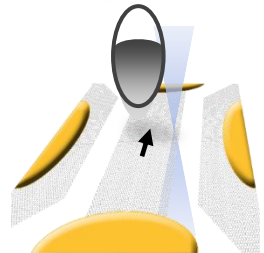
# Quantum Computing LDRD Investments

- We are building new capabilities for quantum materials, devices and systems through strategic investments (FY16-18)

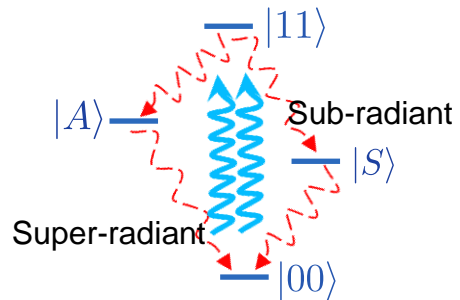
## Materials



P & Bi donor in Si (Humble, Lupini)

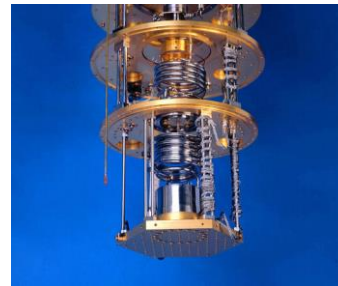


Graphene Qubit (Jesse)

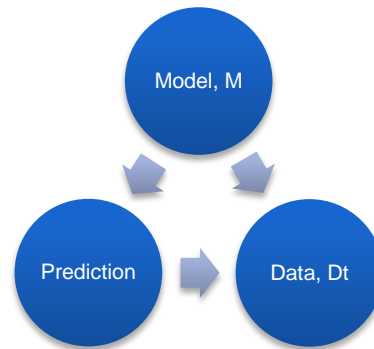


Dissipative QC (Evans)

## Devices

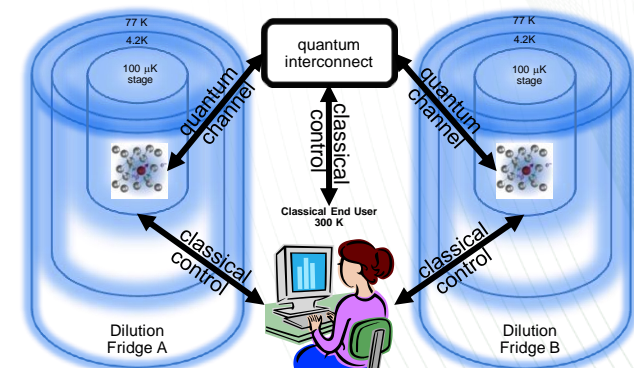
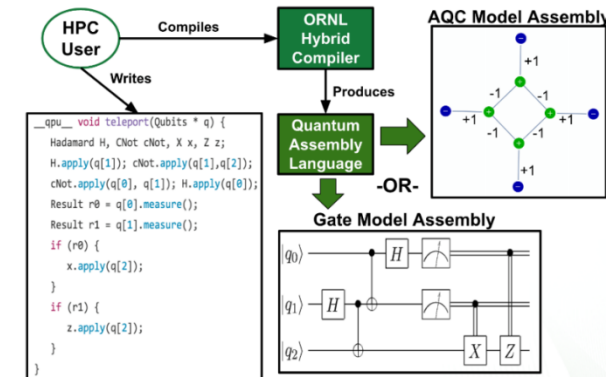


Qubit operations (Peters)



Qubit fidelity modeling (Bennink)

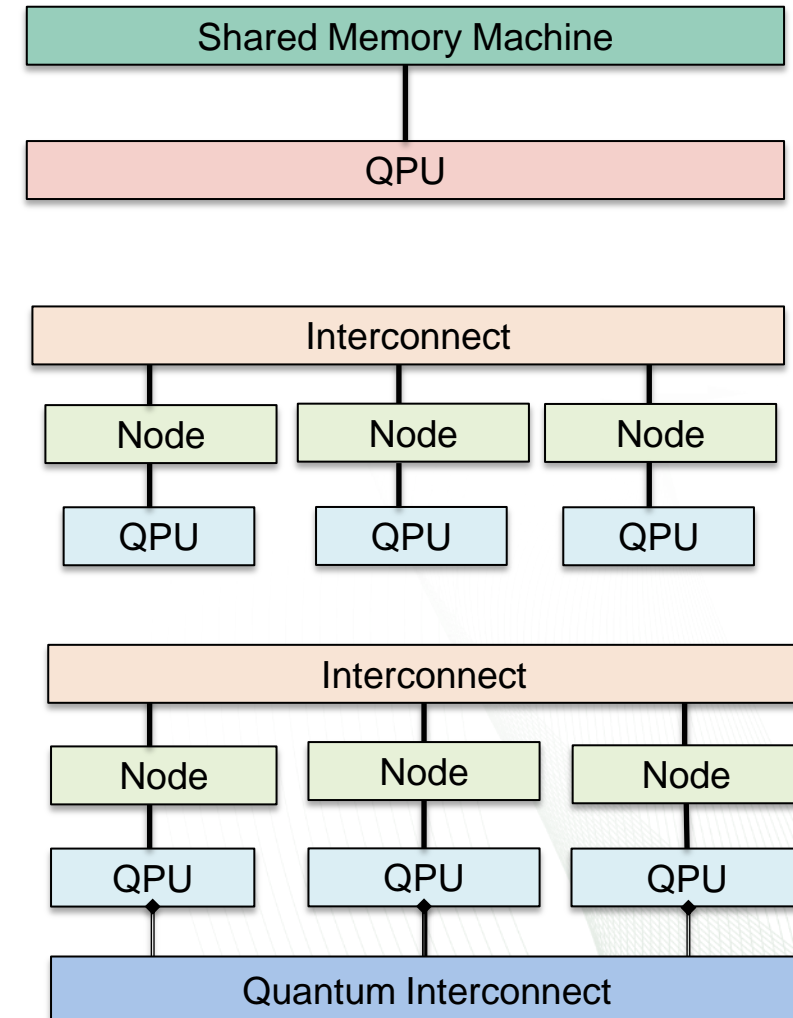
## Systems



Quantum/Classical Interfaces (Lougovski)

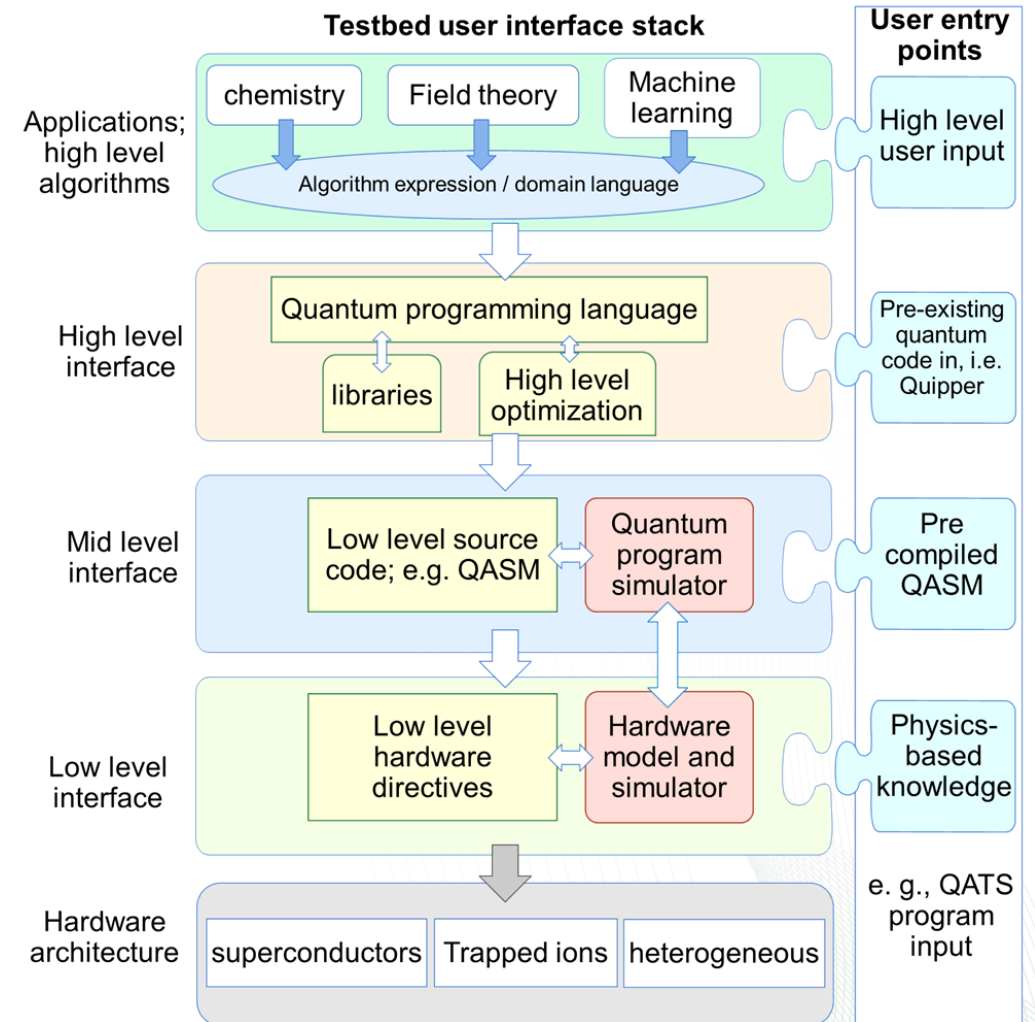
# ASCR Early Career Award in Quantum Computing

- We are developing long-term capabilities in the design and operation of quantum computing system within DOE HPC facilities.
- The goal of the project is to accelerate existing scientific applications using quantum processors. The approach relies on physics, engineering, and computer science to demonstrate quantum-classical programming and run-time environments for scientific applications.
- ORNL PI Travis Humble
- DOE PM Robinson Pino



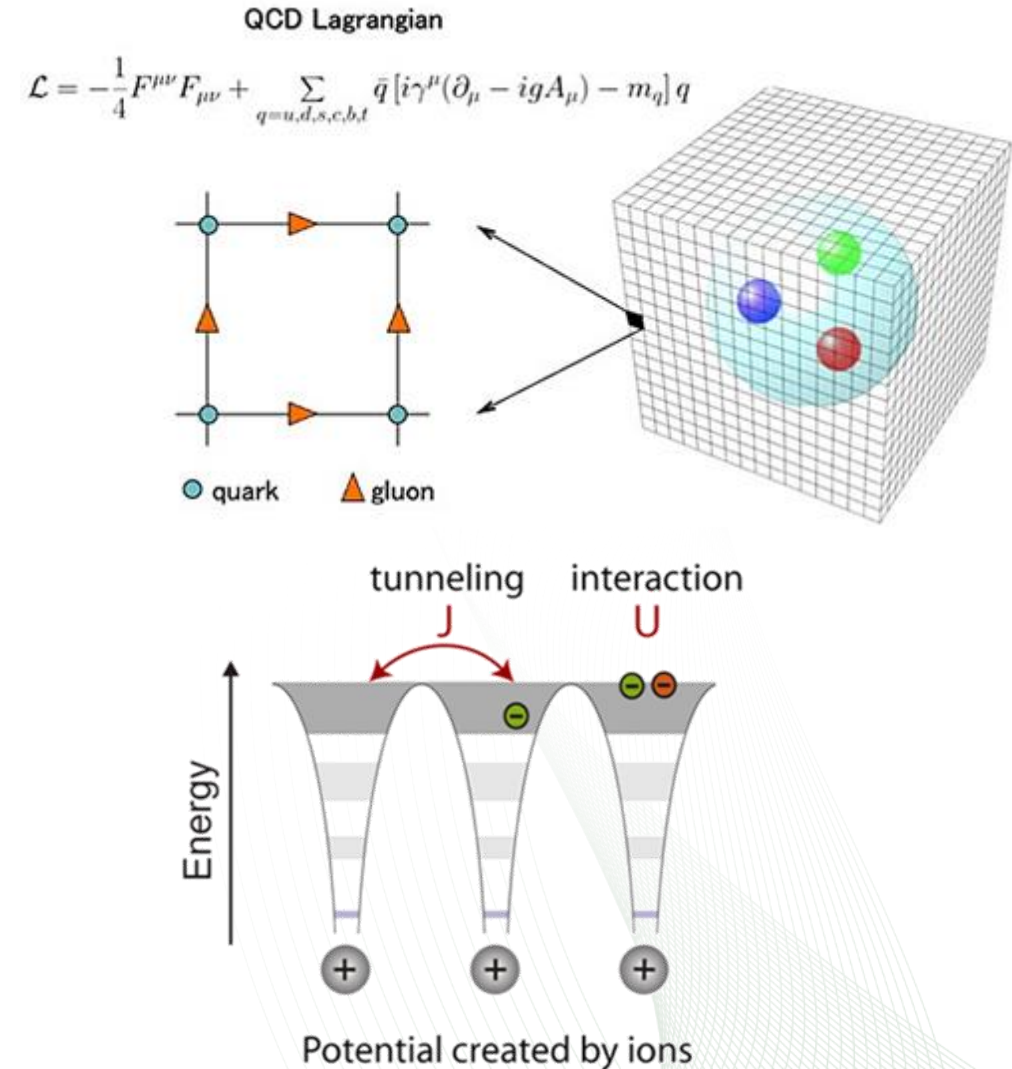
# ASCR Quantum Testbed Pathfinder (FY17-FY22)

- We are exploring the design and development of quantum computing for scientific applications in chemistry, nuclear physics, and machine learning.
- The team consists of ORNL staff and a consortium of quantum computing stakeholders, including IBM, and IonQ, focused on demonstrating and characterizing application development.
- ORNL PI Raphael Pooser
- DOE PM Claire Crammer

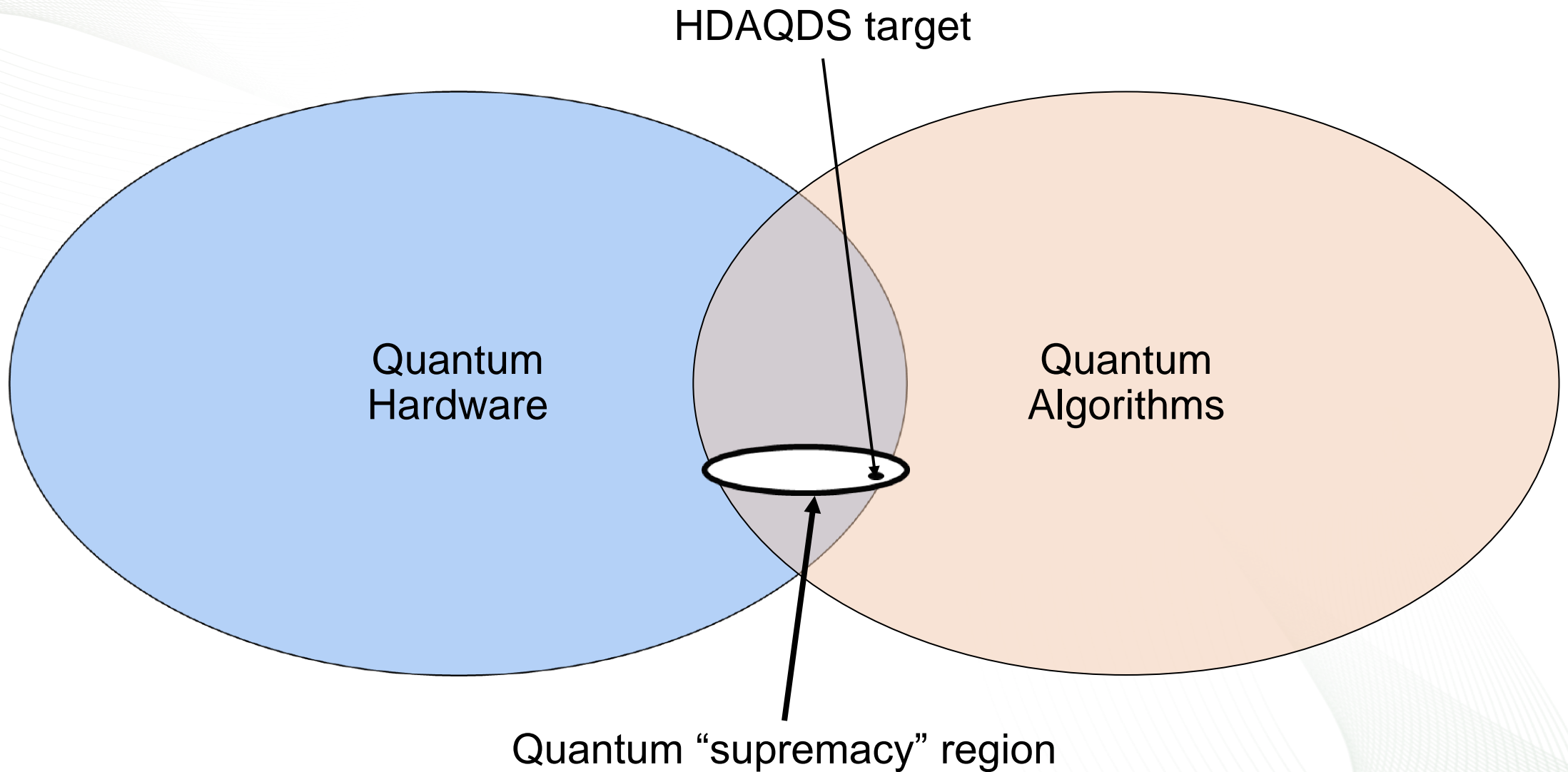


# ASCR Quantum Algorithms Team (FY17-FY20)

- We are developing near-term applications of quantum computing for solving scientific problems including quantum many-body systems in superconducting materials, lattice QCD, and nuclear physics.
- The team of ORNL staff and subject matter experts from University of Washington and University of Bilbao focuses on demonstrating quantum computation and improving performance through algorithmic design.
- ORNL PI Pavel Lougovski
- DOE PM Ceren Susut



# The Landscape

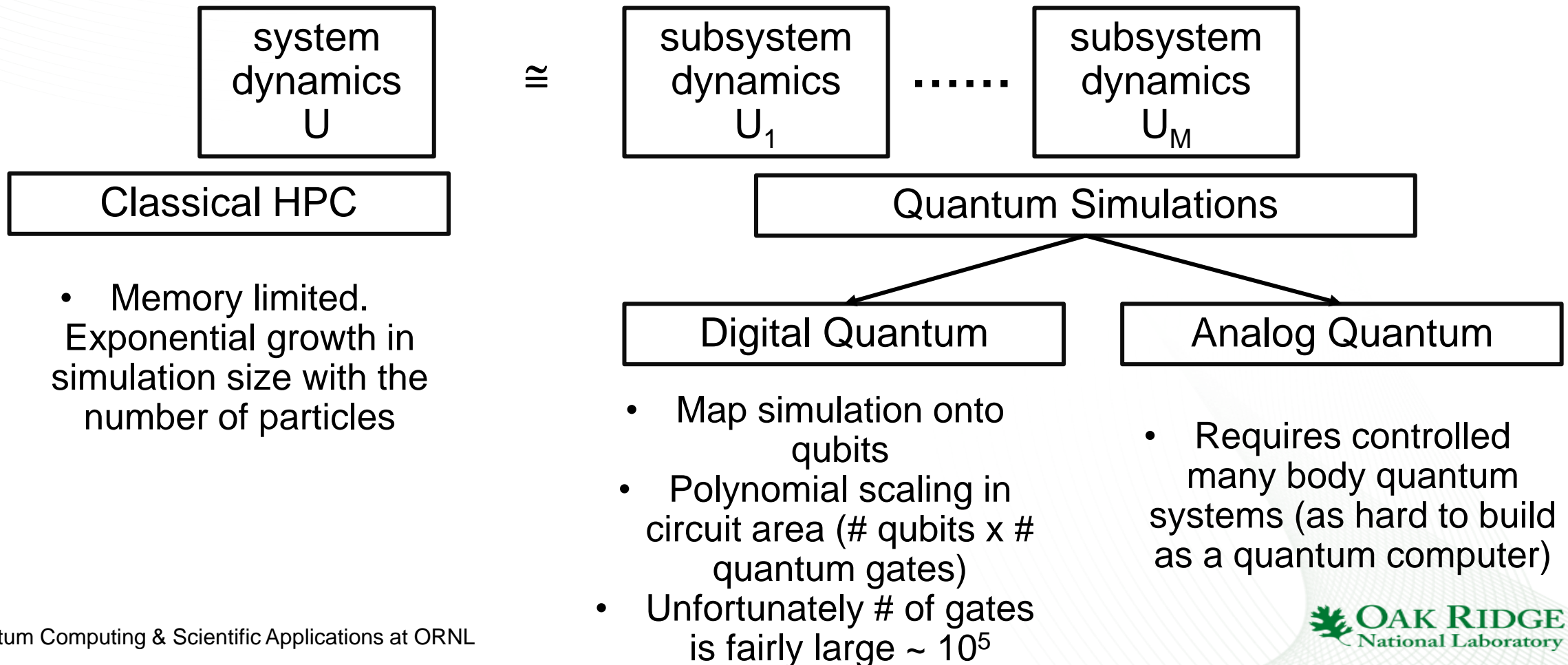


# Heterogeneous Digital-Analog Quantum Dynamics Simulations

- Glossary:
  - **Heterogeneous** – mixed quantum and classical HPC & mixed quantum digital and analog
  - **Digital** – universal quantum gate set
  - **Analog** – analog quantum unitaries
  - **Dynamics Simulations** – e.g., a two-point correlation function
- Focus: Development of digital-analog quantum algorithms for simulating the dynamics of quantum many-body systems (Fermi-Hubbard, Hubbard-Holstein, Lattice QCD) on the near term quantum hardware.
- Partners: University of Washington (Institute for Nuclear Theory),

# Evolutionary Approach to Quantum Simulations

**Problem:** Solve Schrodinger Equation  $i \frac{\partial |\psi\rangle}{\partial t} = H|\psi\rangle$   
 $|\psi(t)\rangle = U|\psi(0)\rangle; U = e^{-iHt}$



# Variational Approach to Quantum Simulations

**Problem:** Find the ground state of a many-body Hamiltonian

**Classical Answer:** Minimize energy functional

$$\epsilon[\Psi] = \frac{\langle \Psi | \hat{H} | \Psi \rangle}{\langle \Psi | \Psi \rangle}$$

**Example:** Coupled Cluster ansatz

$$|\Psi\rangle = e^T |\Phi_0\rangle$$

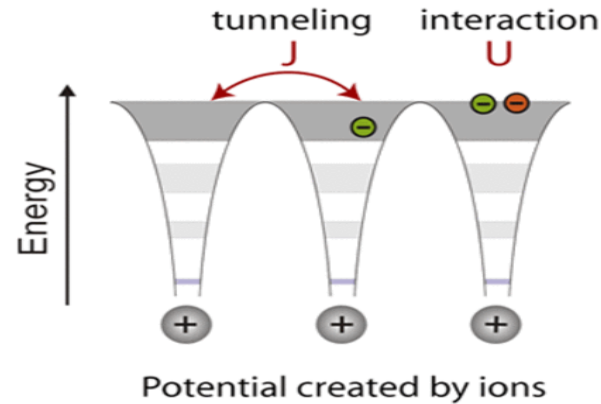
$$T = T_1 + T_2 + T_3 + \dots$$

$$T_n = \frac{1}{(n!)^2} \sum_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n} \sum_{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n} t_{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n}^{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n} \hat{a}^{a_1} \hat{a}^{a_2} \dots \hat{a}^{a_n} \hat{a}_{i_n} \dots \hat{a}_{i_2} \hat{a}_{i_1}$$

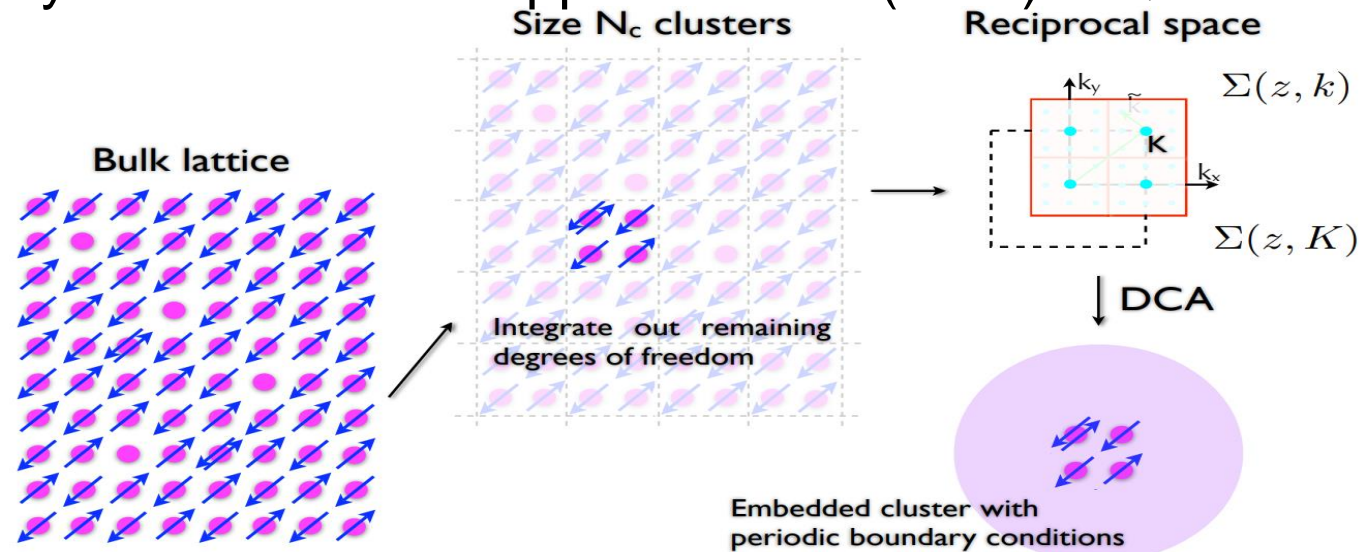


# Scientific Applications: Strongly Correlated Electrons

- Strongly correlated electron systems Fermi Hubbard & Hubbard Holstein Models



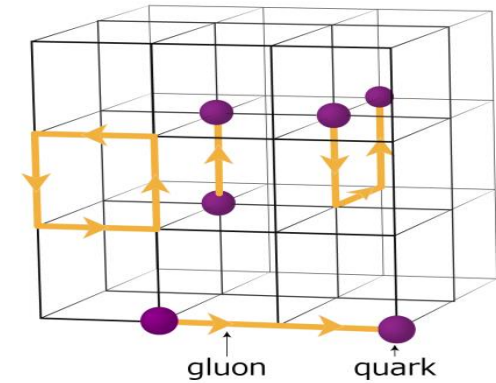
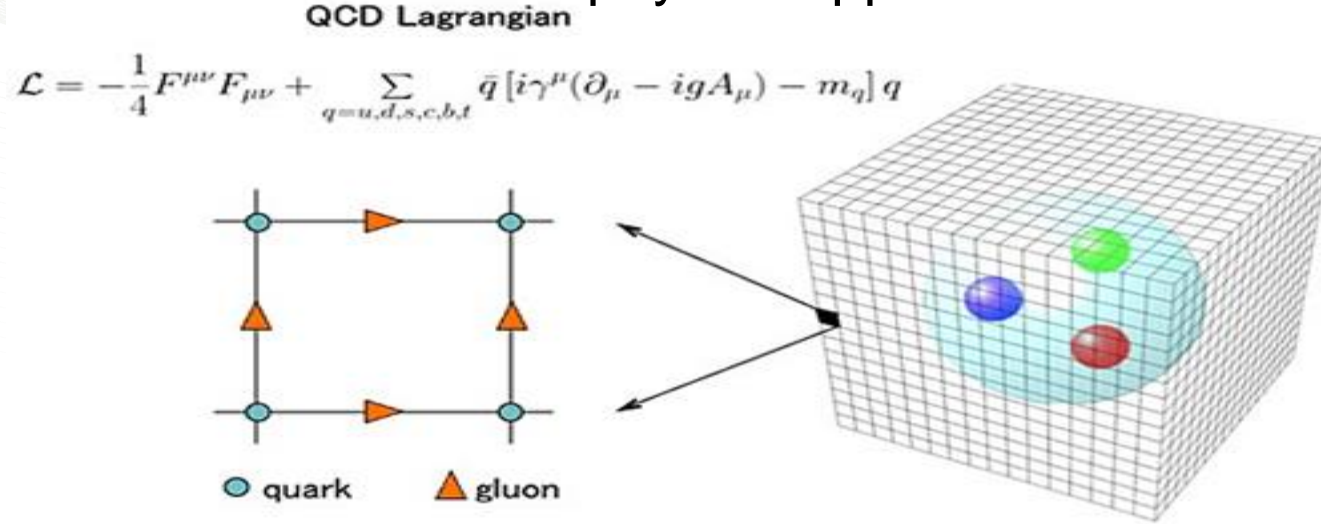
- Dynamical Cluster Approximation (DCA) + Quantum Monte Carlo



Maier et al., Rev. Mod. Phys. '05

# Scientific Application: Nuclear Physics

- Lattice QCD for nuclear physics applications



- Nuclear structure via coupled cluster approach

The CC wavefunction takes on a different form:

$$\Psi_{CC} = e^{\hat{T}} \Phi_0$$

Coupled Cluster Wavefunction  
 $\Phi_0$  is the HF solution

$$e^{\hat{T}} = \hat{1} + \hat{T} + \frac{1}{2} \hat{T}^2 + \frac{1}{6} \hat{T}^3 + \dots = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} \hat{T}^k$$

Exponential operator generates  
 excited Slater determinants

$$\hat{T} = \hat{T}_1 + \hat{T}_2 + \hat{T}_3 + \dots + \hat{T}_N$$

Cluster Operator

N is the number of electrons

# Uncertainty Quantification

- Quantifying simulation uncertainty
- Analyzing error propagations
- Measuring quantum advantage quantitatively

# Software Toolchain

- Developing a software toolchain that enables utilization of the proposed QA as a part of the existing HPC simulation codes.

**Thank you!**  
**Questions?**