Quantum Computers in Banking

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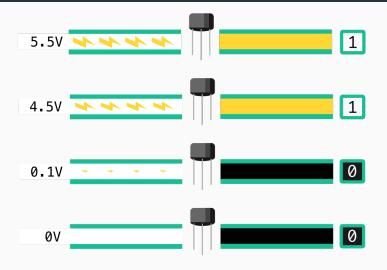


Figure 1: We use transistors to create logical states of 1 and 0.

Logical Gates

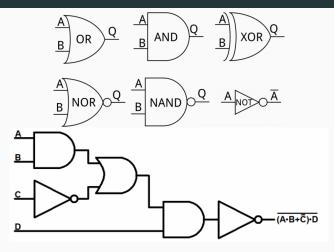
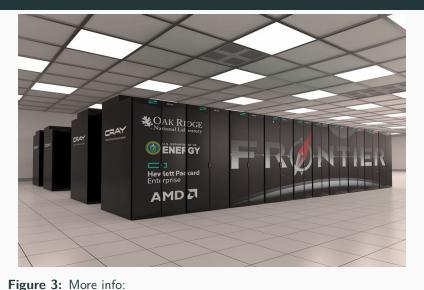


Figure 2: Those transitors are used to create logical gates that are in turn building blocks for logical circuits.

The Fastests Supercomputer: EXA FLOPS



https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Frontier_(supercomputer), and https://top500.org/lists/top500/2022/06/

SUPERCOMPUTER FRONTIER - HPE CRAY EX235A, AMD OPTIMIZED 3RD GENERATION EPYC 64C 2GHZ, AMD

Aspect	Details
Site	DOE/SC/Oak Ridge National Laboratory
System URL	https://www.olcf.ornl.gov/frontier/
Manufacturer	HPE
Cores	8,730,112
Processor	AMD Optimized 3rd Generation EPYC 64C 2GHz
Interconnect	Slingshot-11
Installation Year	2021
Performance	
Linpack Performance (Rmax)	1,102.00 PFlop/s
Theoretical Peak (Rpeak)	1,685.65 PFlop/s
Power Consumption	
Power	21,100.00 kW (Submitted)
OS	
Operating System	HPE Cray OS

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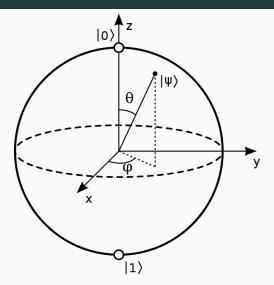


Figure 4: Source: nextplatform.com

Operations

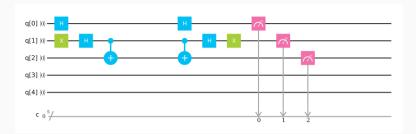
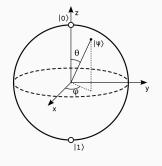


Figure 5: A quantum circuit: quantum gate operations on q-bits. Source: ibm.com

Aspects of Quantum Computing: Superposition



Superposition is a quantum state that is a combination of 2 mutually exclusive states

$$\alpha |0\rangle + \beta |1\rangle$$

Note that if $\alpha>0$ and $\beta>0$ then the qubit's state contains both $|0\rangle$ and $|1\rangle$

Aspects of Quantum Computing: Entanglement

A system of two qubits can be characterized by

$$\alpha_1 |00\rangle + \alpha_2 |01\rangle + \alpha_3 |10\rangle + \alpha_4 |11\rangle$$

where

- |01
 angle means that the first qubit is 0
 angle and the second |1
 angle
- $\sum_{i=1}^4 |\alpha_i|^2 = 1$

If two or more of α_i are non-zero, and we cannot separate the states, then they are entangled. Knowing one determines the state of the other.

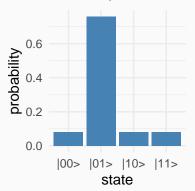
Example

$$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}~|11\rangle+\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}~|10\rangle$$
 is not entangled

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Aspects of Quantum Computing: Interference

Increase the probability of getting the correct answer (and reducing the probability of the wrong answer).



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D-Wave

5000+ Qubits

A world-class annealing quantum processor design with continued growth in qubits, connectivity, and coherence.

1 Million

Variables

Built to support real-world size applications with up to 1 million variables and 100,000 constraints via our quantum-classical hybrid solver service in Leap.

250+

Applications

More than 250 early applications across domains like manufacturing, financial services, and life sciences already exist using D-Wave quantum systems today.

Figure 6: State of the art with D-Wave. Source: dwavesys.com

Banking application with D-Wave and Multiverse Computing



Figure 7: A paper about portfolio optimisation with the D-Wave computers. Source: arxiv.org



Figure 8: A quantum computer today. Source: ibm.com

Quantum Computing Achievements

in Banking

Examples of banks's efforts

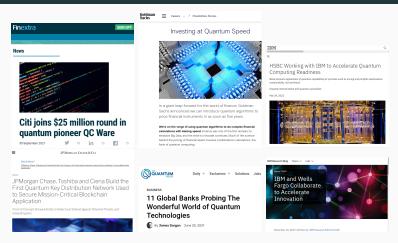


Figure 9: Sources: finextra.com, goldmansachs.com, ibm.com, and thequantuminsider.com

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- Caixa Bank runs a hybrid framework of quantum and classical computing to improve credit risk scoring (PoC)

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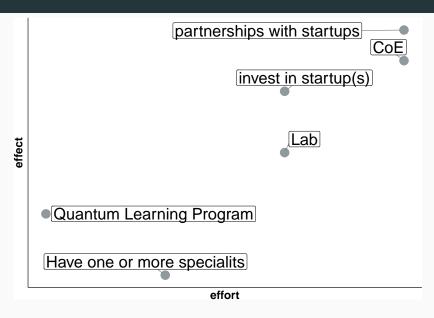
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The Route to Quantum for the

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Solutions



Shortcuts to solutions

- Get access to learning, online quantum computers, etc. via the IBM Quantum Accelerator for enterprise
- Use Qiskit to learn programming on quantum computers qiskit.org and their YouTube channel

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 - providing a greener solution to computational intensive tasks

Further Reading

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- IBM, "The Quantum Decade" (e-book) download
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- Quantum Computing for the Quantum Curious, C. Hughes et al., Springer – download
- a list of books: download