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Fueling the Quantum Application Era with the Cloud

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Overview

- You have access to quantum computers today
- A simple example
- Other example applications
- Hybrid quantum programming
- Look inside a quantum computer – why is it different
- Leap – quantum cloud services

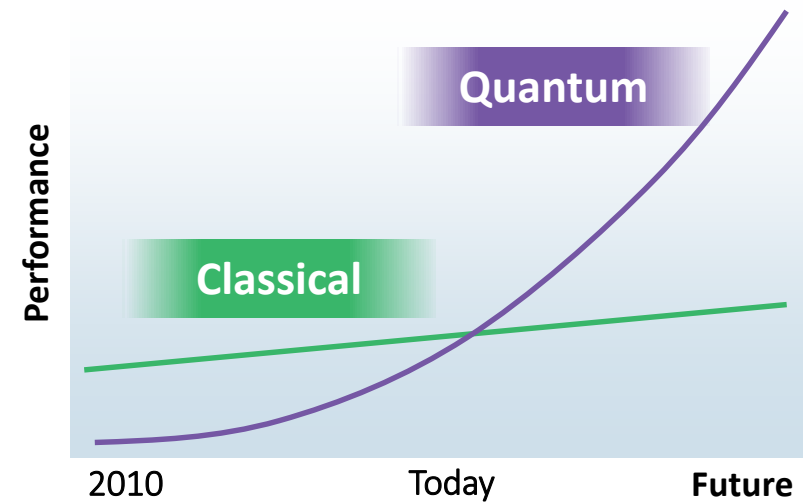
Why Quantum Computing?

Meeting the challenge of complex problems

Performance beyond the reach of Moore's Law

Transformative reduction in power consumption

Quantum computing offers a radical new solution



D-Wave Leap™

Real-Time Cloud Access &
Quantum Application Environment

Enabling a New Developer Community

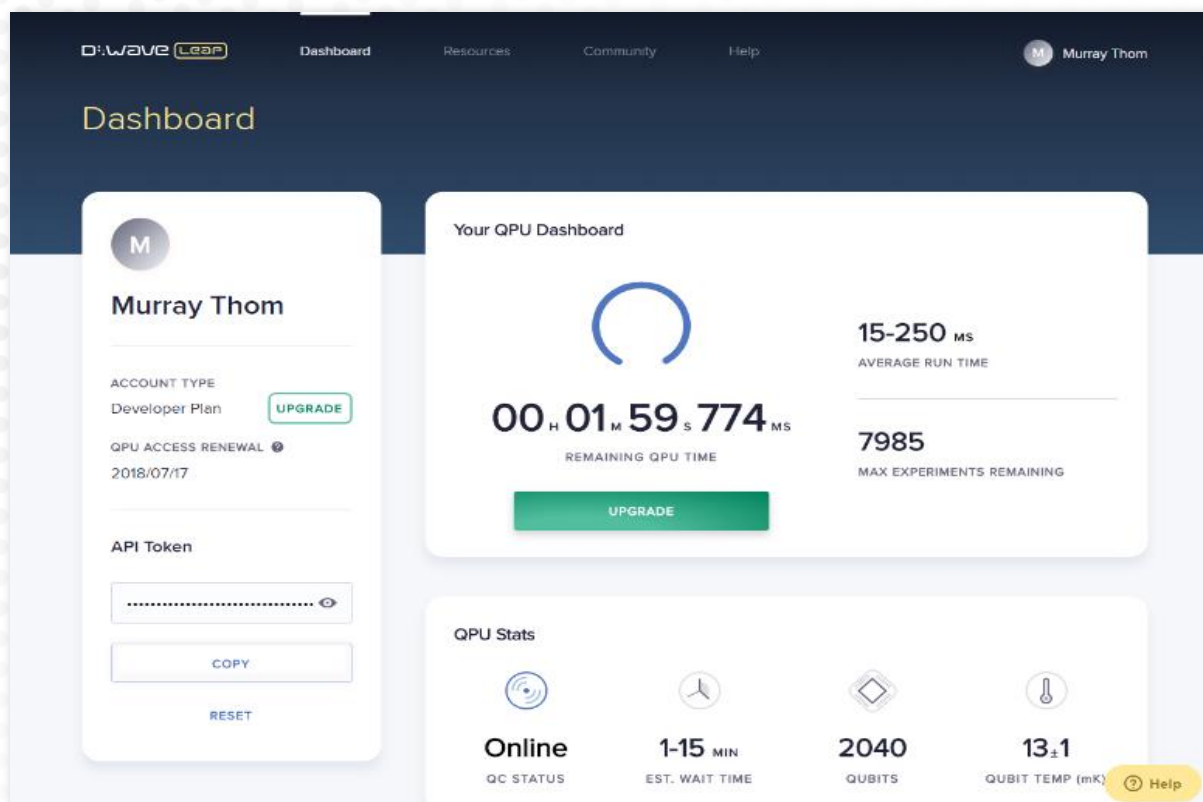
Free Real-Time Cloud Access

Integrated Open Source SDK

Demos and Reference Code

Community Support

Online Training Resources



What Is Most Sought After

Quantum
Processing

Classical Input

Classical Output

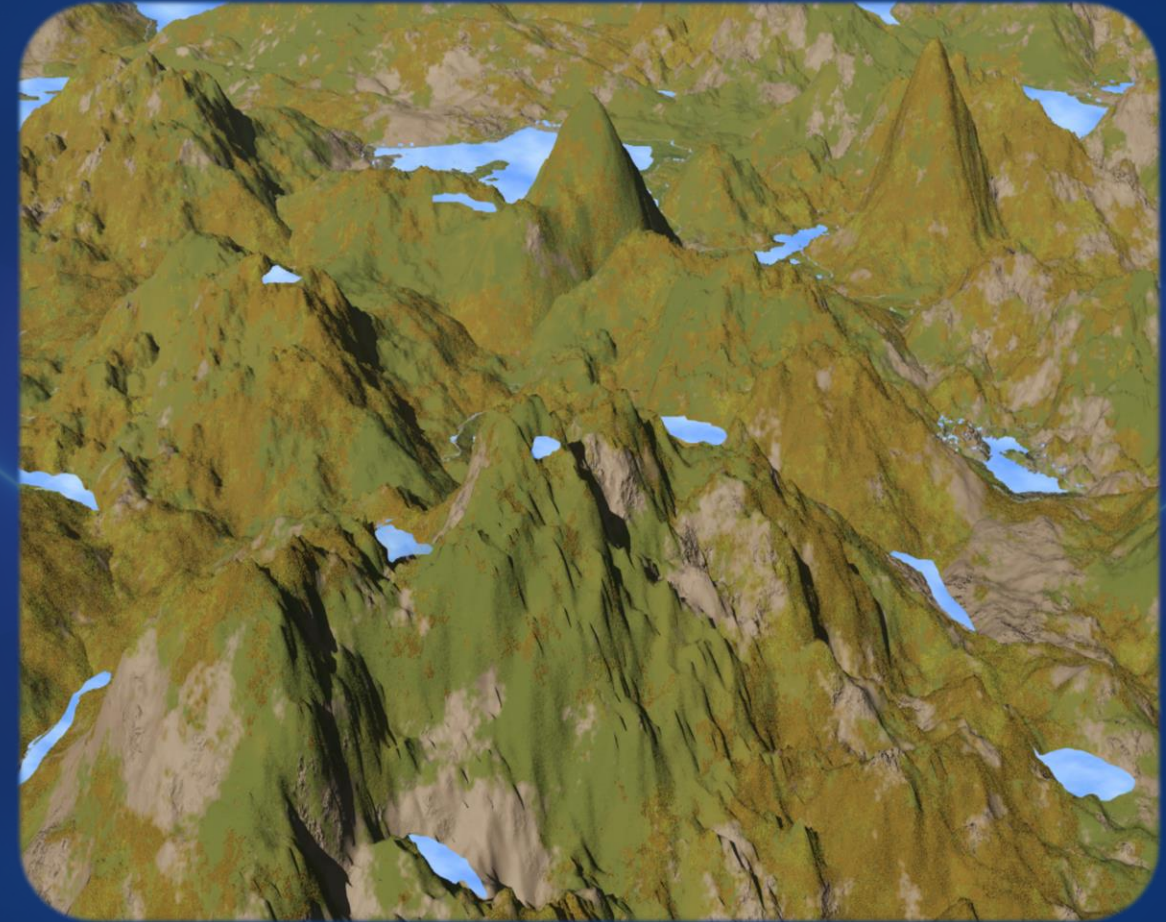
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Searching A Vast Solution Landscape

Problem: find the lowest point

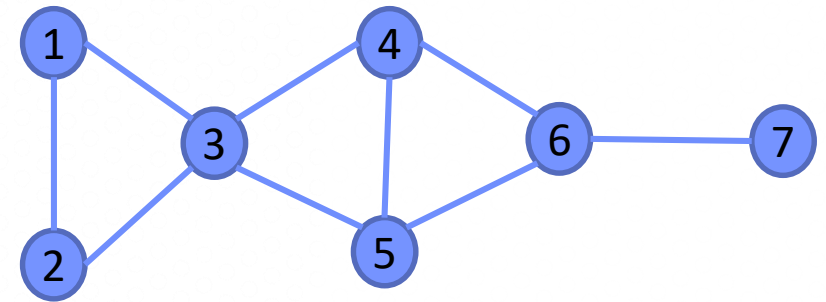
Classical solution: Run very fast, to each point

Quantum solution:
Visit many valleys at once,
tunneling through the mountains

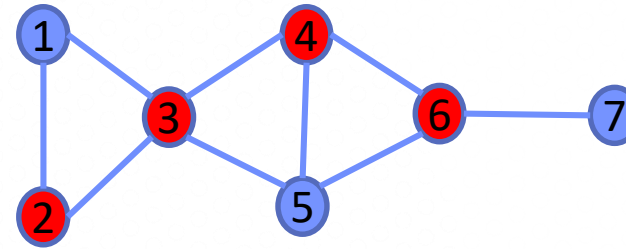
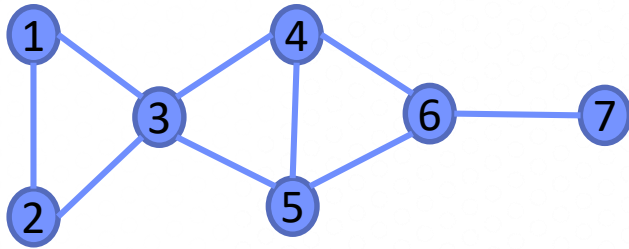


A Simple Example

- Given:
 - Network of pipelines
- What do we want:
 - A set of junctions from which we can monitor every pipeline segment
 - Minimize cost



Example



Junctions for monitoring pipes



Goal:

Nodes that *cover* every
edge

A vertex cover.

Without Ocean tools...

1. Write our problem goals in mathematical form with binary variables

$$\text{minimize } \sum_i x_i \quad , x_i \in [0,1]$$

Minimize the number of monitoring sites

$$\text{such that } \sum_{(u,v) \in E} (x_u \cdot x_v - x_u - x_v) < 0$$

Penalize cases where both ends of a pipe are unmonitored

2. Translate to a minimization formula that yields our objective

$$\text{minimize } \left(\sum_i x_i \right) + \gamma \left(\sum_{(u,v) \in E} (x_u \cdot x_v - x_u - x_v) \right) \quad , \gamma \in \mathbb{R}$$

3. Simplify down to a matrix of coefficients from 2. (BQM matrix)

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -3 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array}$$

With the Ocean tools...

```
import networkx as nx

import dwave_networkx as dnx

from dwave.system import DWaveSampler, EmbeddingComposite

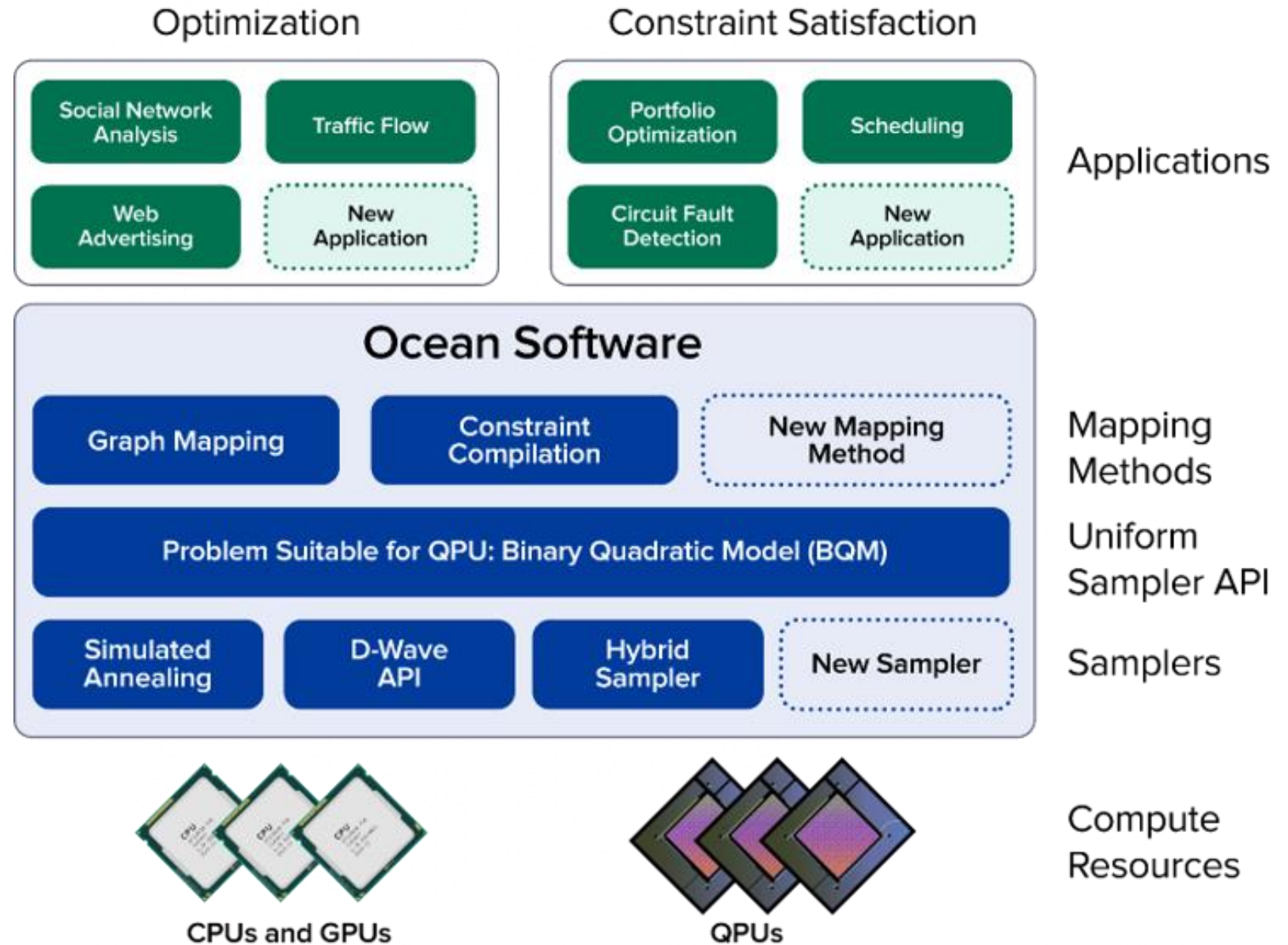
sampler = EmbeddingComposite(DWaveSampler())

G = nx.Graph()

G.add_edges_from([(1,2),(1,3),(2,3),(3,4),(3,5),(4,5),(4,6),(5,6),(6,7)])

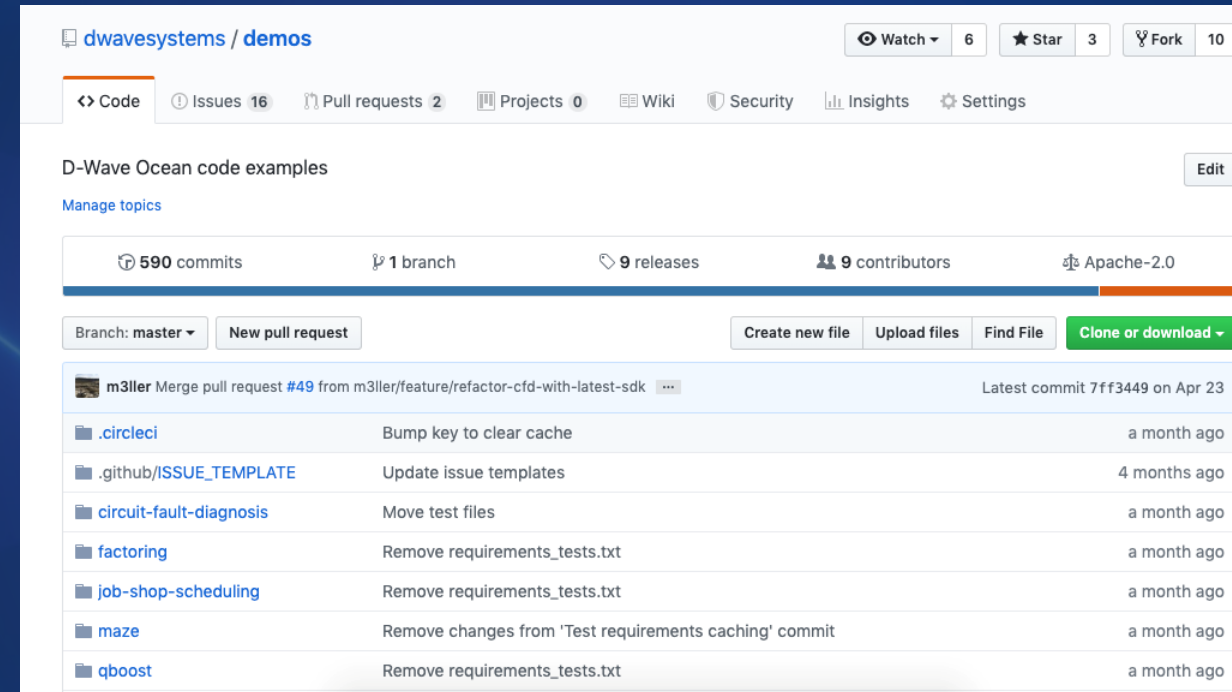
cover = dnx.min_vertex_cover(G, sampler=sampler)
```

Ocean Software Stack



Library of Examples

- Currently in a github repository
 - <https://github.com/dwavesystems/demos>
- Improving and expanding continuously
- Issues and pull requests encouraged



Physical Networks

- Binary characteristic of physical objects
 - Selection, failure
- Events have a correlated effect
- Vast space of potential solution configurations

Configuring
Satellites

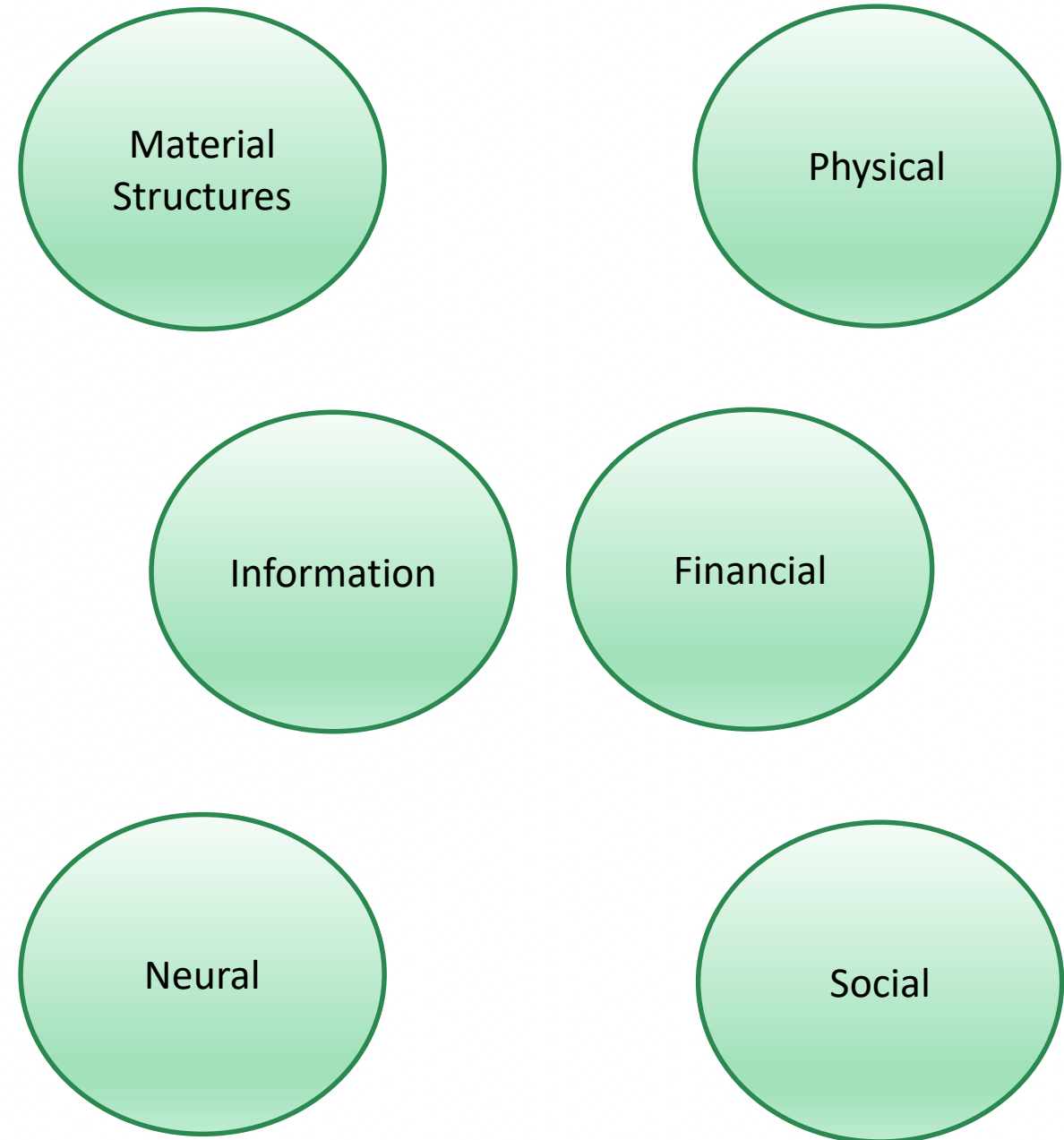
Improving
Traffic Flow

Monitoring
Pipelines

Selecting
Antenna
Locations

Network Optimization

- Still related to the binary and correlated
 - Activation, purchase, default, friendship, bonding
- Broader domains of simulation, modeling, or prediction
- Branching into entertainment
 - Maze Solving, Sudoku puzzles



Materials Properties

Atomic magnetometer

Solid state materials simulation

Quantum molecular dynamics

Quantum chemistry computation

150+
EARLY
APPLICATIONS

Finding Higgs Boson

Image recognition

Tree cover classifier

DNA binding

Individual cancer drugs

Machine Learning

Optimization

Radiotherapy

Multi-period portfolios

Satellite placement

Traffic flow

Internet ad placement

Formation of Terrorist Networks

Fault detection in circuits

Facial recognition

Cyber Security & Fault Detection

Live Quantum Applications

"We made history today, 1st commercial application powered by quantum computing is in action"

Martin Hofmann

Volkswagen Group CIO

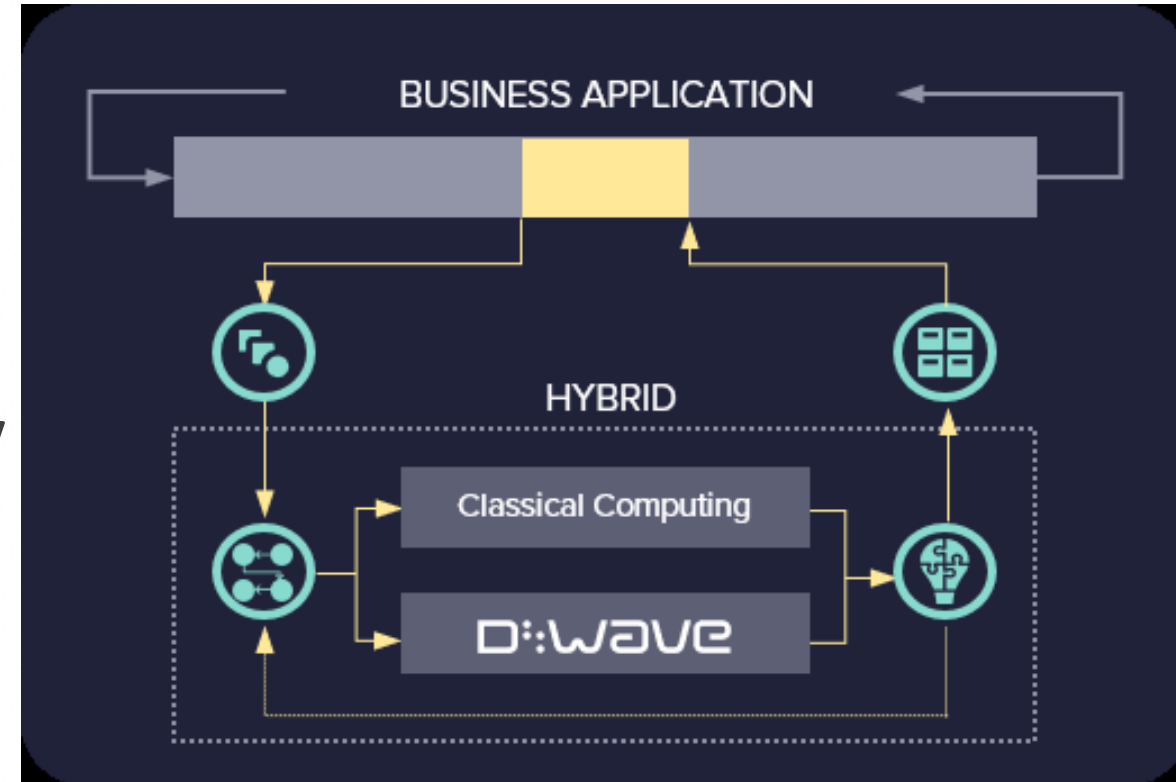
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Hybrid Algorithm Development

dwave-hybrid

- Minimal, Python, solver/sampler-building framework, built atop Ocean tools
- Leverages **quantum** and **classical** resources
- Independent parts are executed **concurrently**
- Problems are **broken into pieces** that fit the compute resources
- Uses sample sets (probabilistic approach)



Motivation

Algorithm 1 Partitioning algorithm implemented by qbsolv

```

1: Input: QUBO instance
2: # best_energy is the lowest value found to date
3: # best_solution is the solution bit vector corresponding to the lowest value so far
4: # index is the indices of the bits in the solution, sorted from
5: #   most to least impact on value
6:
7: # Get initial estimate of minimum value and backbone
8: solution ← random 0/1 vector
9: (best_energy, best_solution) ← TabuSearch(QUBO, solution)
10: index ← OrderByImpact(QUBO, best_solution)
11: passCount ← 0
12: solution ← best_solution
13: while passCount < numRepeats do
14:   change ← false
15:   for i = 0; i < fraction * Size(QUBO); i += subQUBOSize do
16:     # select subQUBO with other variables clamped
17:     sub_index ← i + subQUBOSize - 1
18:     subQUBO ← Clamp(QUBO, solution, index[sub_index])
19:     (sub_energy, sub_solution) ← DWaveSearch(subQUBO, sub_solution)
20:     # project onto full solution
21:     if (solution[sub_index] ≠ sub_solution) then
22:       solution[sub_index] ← sub_solution
23:       change ← true
24:   end if
25: end for
26: if not change then
27:   Randomize(solution[0 : i - 1])
28: end if
29: (energy, solution) ← TabuSearch(QUBO, solution)
30: if energy < best_energy then
31:   best_energy ← energy
32:   best_solution ← solution
33:   passCount ← 0
34: else
35:   passCount ++
36: end if
37: index ← OrderByImpact(QUBO, solution)
38: end while
39: Output: best_energy, best_solution

```

```

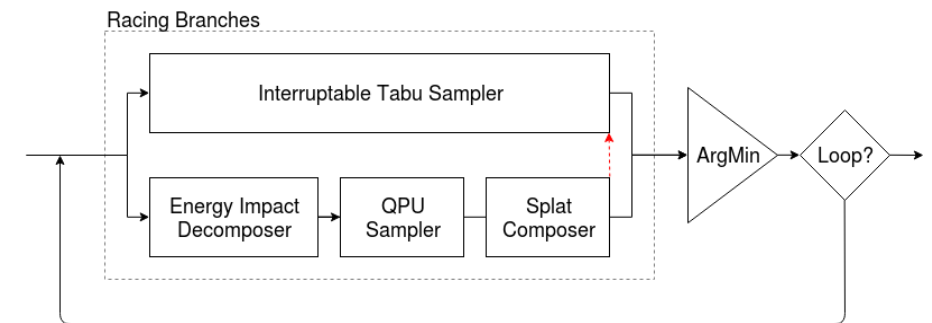
72 double evaluate(int8_t *const solution, const uint qubo_size, const double **const qubo, double *const flip_cost) {
73   double result = 0.0;
74
75   for (uint ii = 0; ii < qubo_size; ii++) {
76     double row_sum = 0.0;
77     double col_sum = 0.0;
78
79     // qubo an upper triangular matrix, so start right of the diagonal
80     // for the rows, and stop at the diagonal for the columns
81     for (uint jj = ii + 1; jj < qubo_size; jj++)
82       if (solution[jj]) row_sum += qubo[ii][jj];
83
84     for (uint jj = 0; jj < ii; jj++)
85       if (solution[jj]) col_sum += qubo[jj][ii];
86
87     // If the variable is currently 1, then by flipping it we negate the contribution.
88     // If (CPSECONDS > 0.001) { // if we negate the contribution,
89       //   ContinueWhile = false; // don't by default
90     }
91   } // end of outer loop
92
93   // all done print results if needed and free allocated arrays
94   if (WriteMatrix_) print_solution_and_qubo(Qbest, qubo_size, qubo);
95
96   if (Verbose_ == 0) {
97     Qbest = &solution_list[Qindex[0]][0];
98     best_energy = energy_list[Qindex[0]];
99     // printf(" evaluated solution %8.2lf\n",
100     //       sign * Simple_evaluate(Qbest, qubo_size, (const double **)qubo));
101     // printf(" evaluated solution %8.2lf\n",
102     //       sign * Simple_evaluate(Qbest, qubo_size, (const double **)qubo));
103     print_output(qubo_size, Qbest, numPartCalls, best_energy * sign, CPSECONDS, param);
104   }
105
106   free(solution);
107   free(tabu_solution);
108   free(flip_cost);
109   free(index);
110   free(TabuK);
111   free(Pcompress);
112
113   return;
114 }

```

```

Loop(RacingBranches(
  InterruptableTabuSampler(),
  EnergyImpactDecomposer(size=50)
  | QPUSubproblemAutoEmbeddingSampler()
  | SplatComposer()
) | ArgMin())

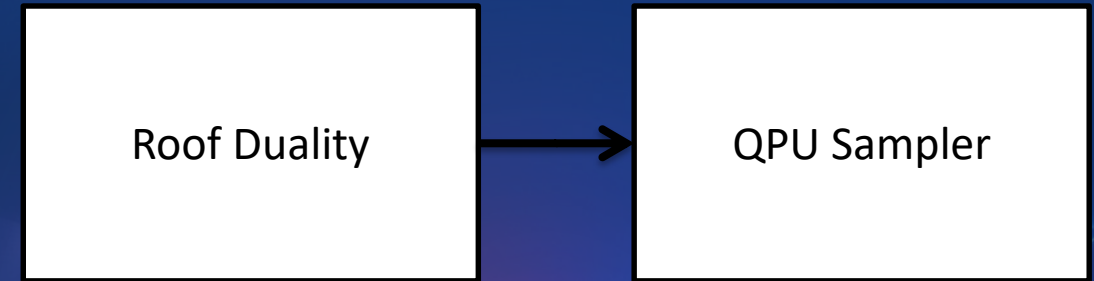
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Pre-processing

Example

- Use roof duality to determine and fix the assignments of some variables in polynomial time



```
RoofDualityDecomposer()  
| QPUSubproblemAutoEmbeddingSampler()  
| SplatComposer()
```

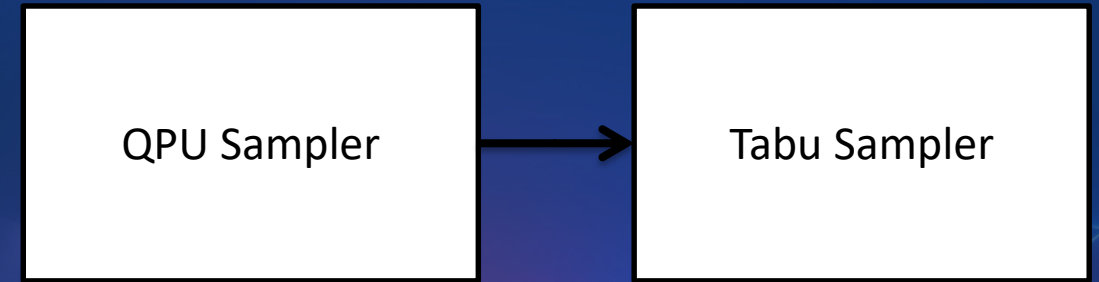
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Post-processing

Example

- Use the QPU to seed another classical algorithm

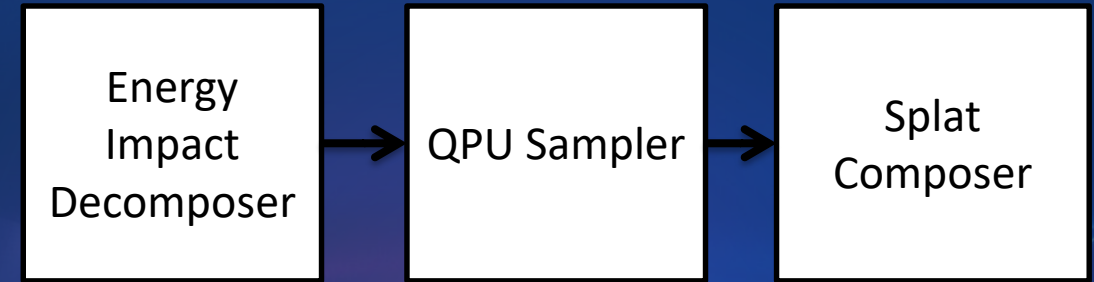


QPUSubproblemAutoEmbeddingSampler()
| TabuSubproblemSampler()

Decomposition

Example

- Find a sub problem with a high energy impact and solve that on the QPU

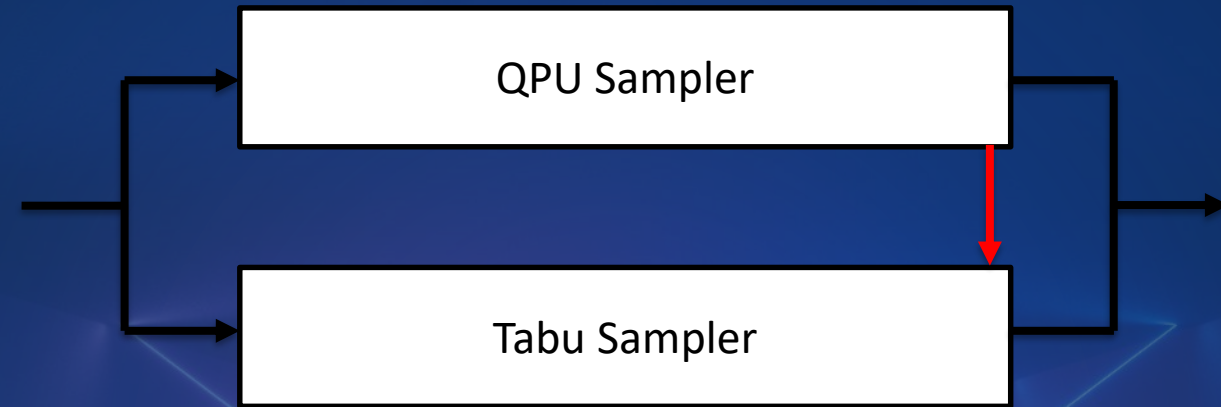


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Racing

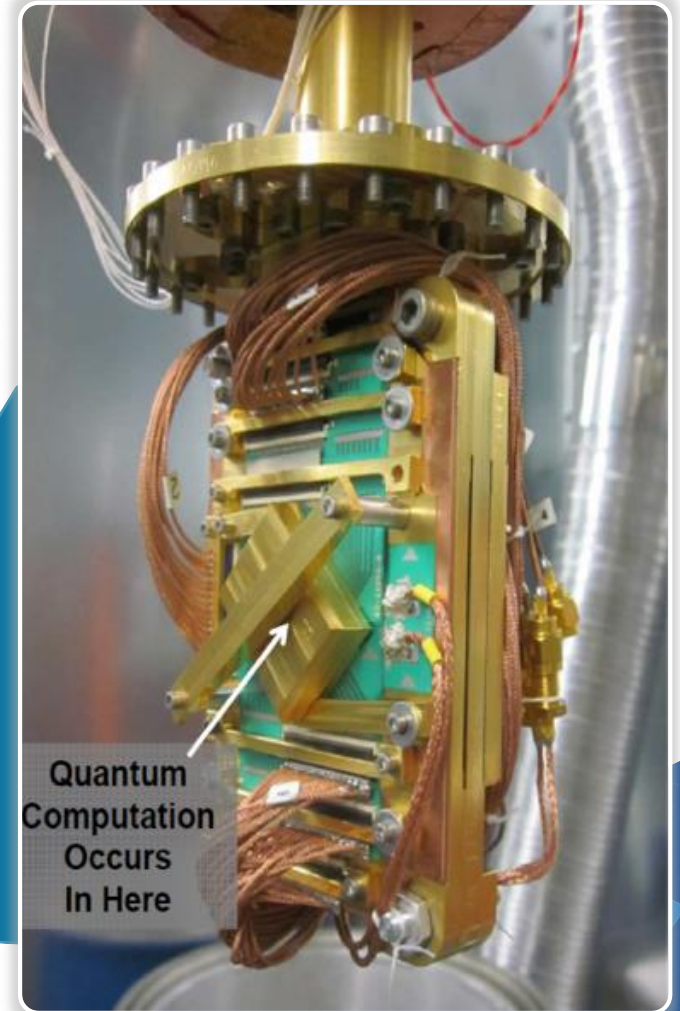
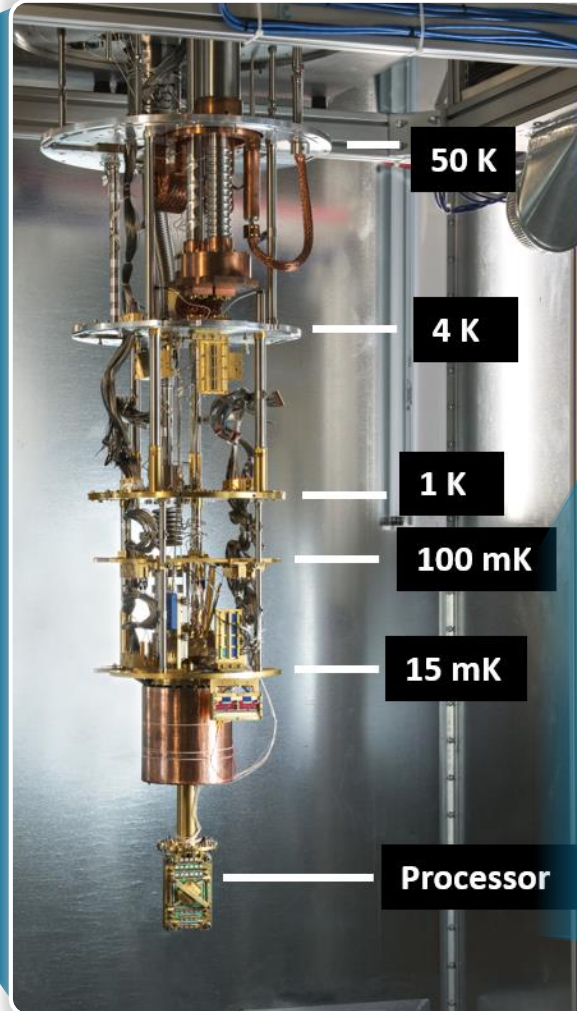
Example

- Run tabu while waiting on the result from the QPU

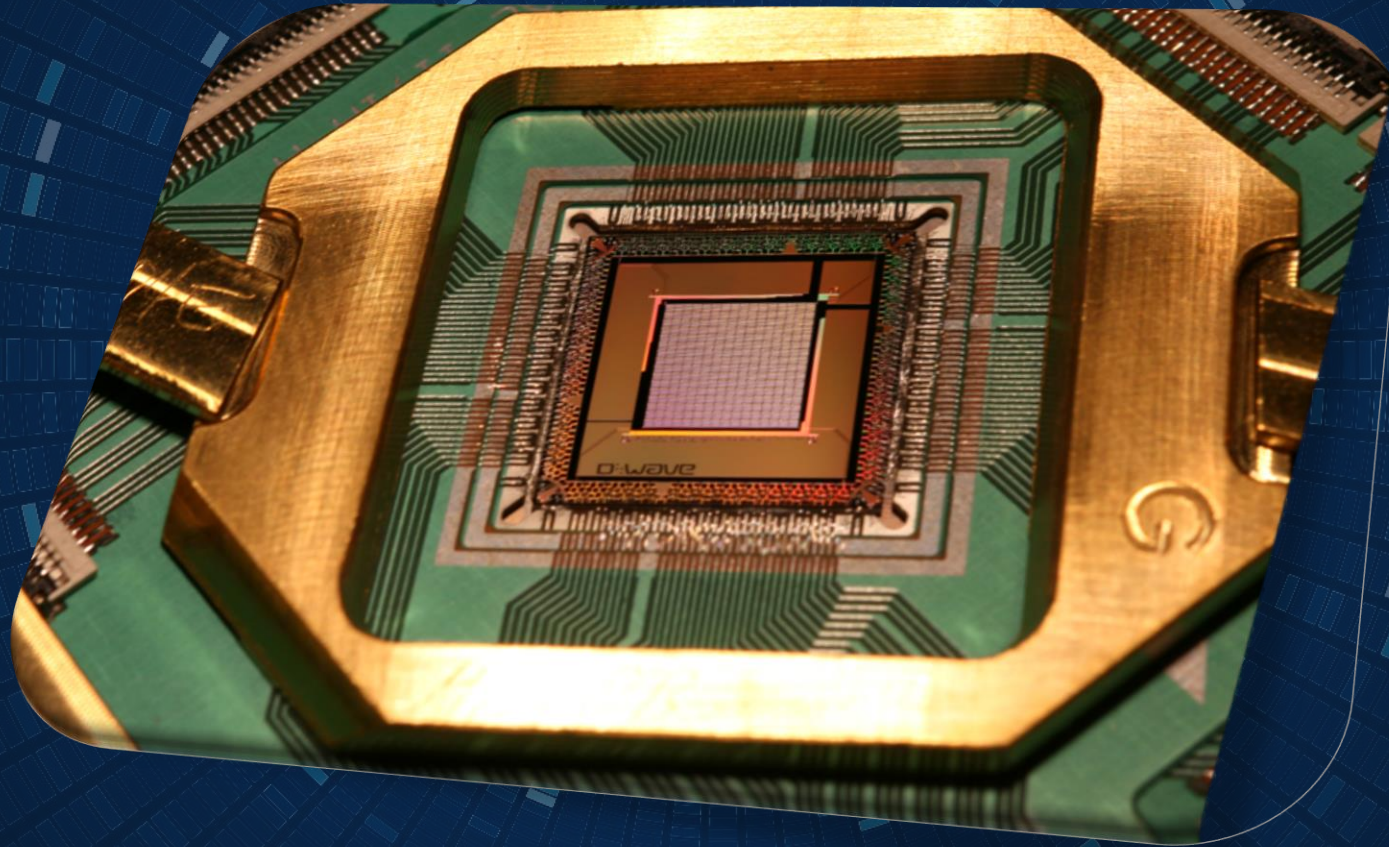


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    ) | ArgMin()
```

What Is A Quantum Computer?



Quantum Processing Unit (QPU)





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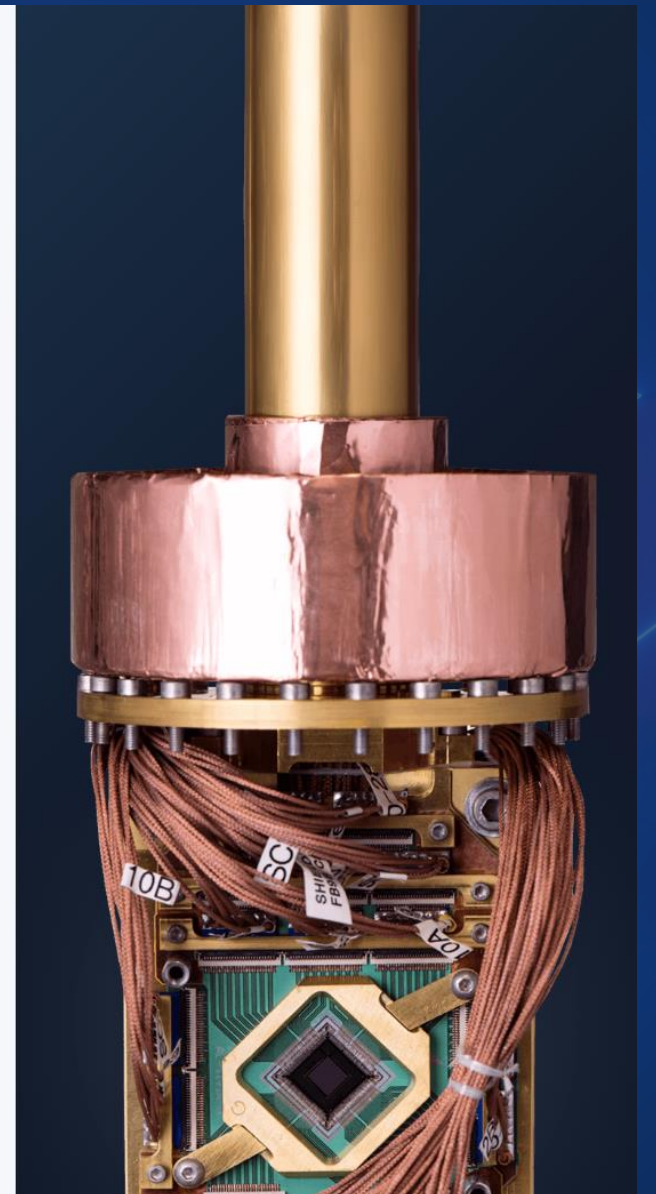
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