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Is it too early for a quantum algorithms engineer to ignore integration issues ?





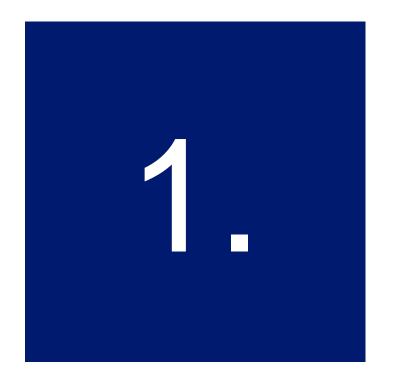
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Quantum @ EDF





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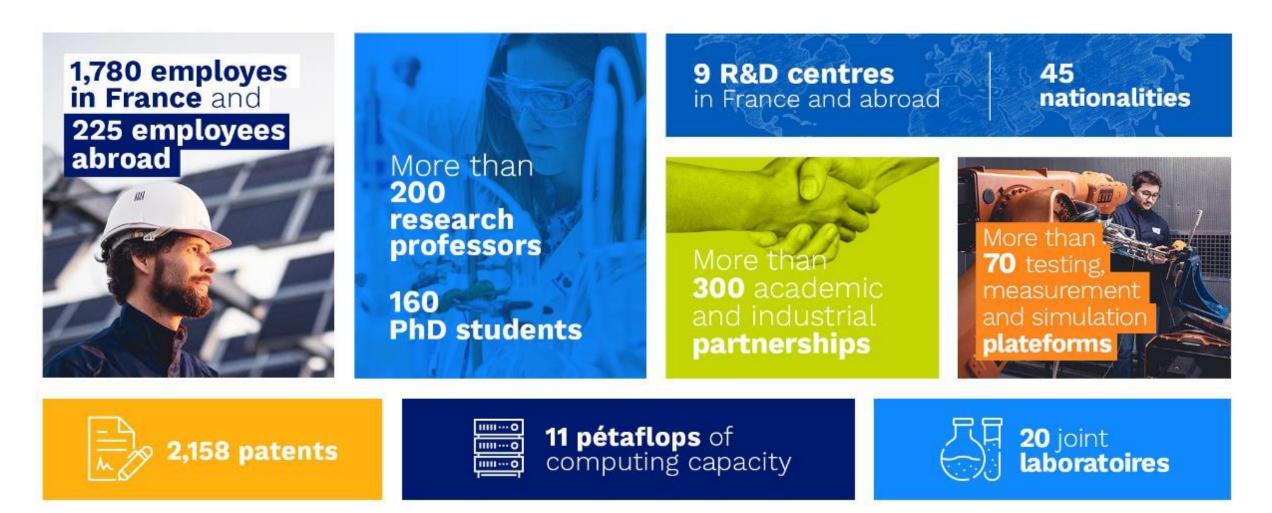
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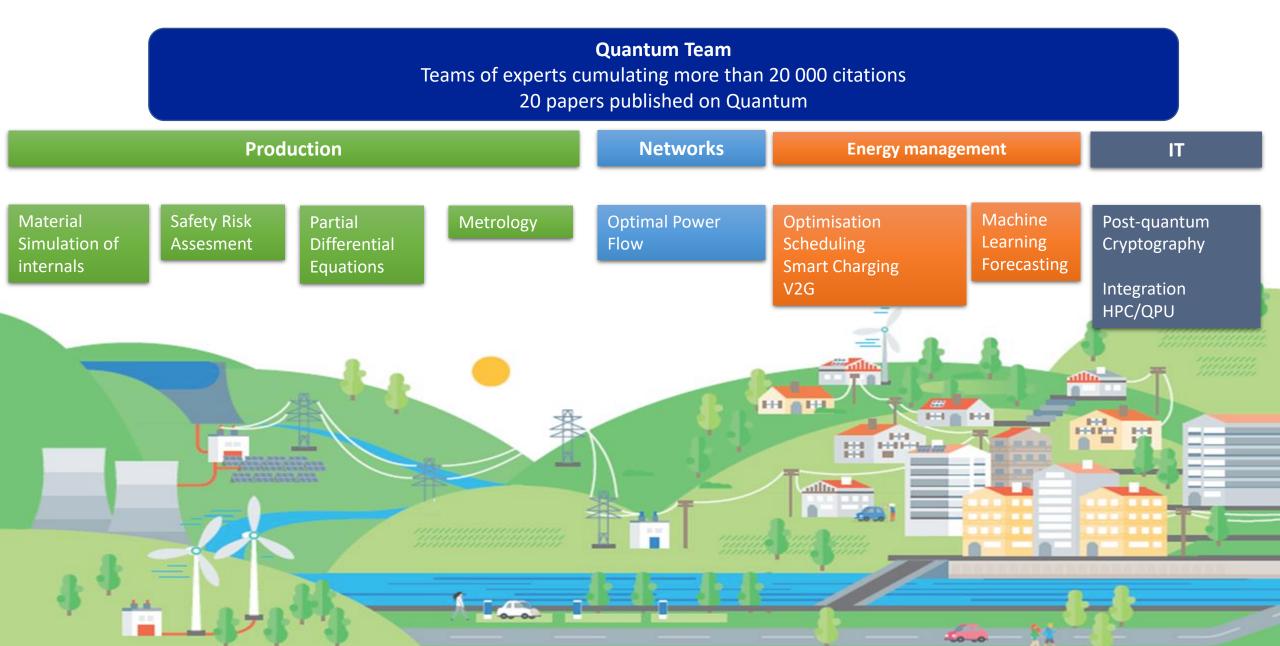
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Quantum @each point of the value chain





The landscape of integration level





QPU – CPU : Four level of integration

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IBM Client for Qiskit Runtime.

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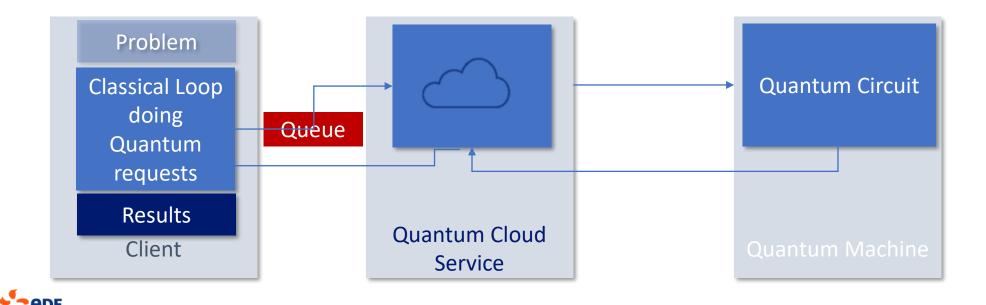
- On the Quantum Side the present and the future is hybrid.
- IBM & Microsoft defines 4 level of integration.





QPU – CPU : Four level of integration Level 1 : Basic integration

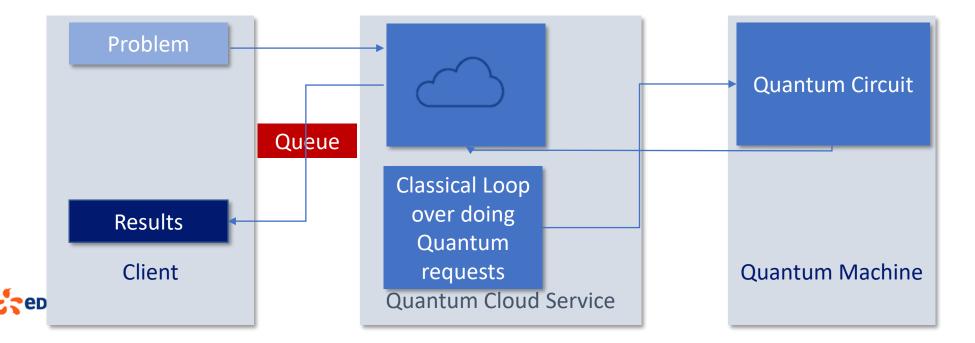
- A QPU is somewhere and the CPU computations are done somewhere else.
- A QAOA like algorithm including a loop between the CPUs and the QPUs makes you ask for a new job and you queue at each iteration !





QPU – CPU : Four levels of integration Level 2 : Integrated Batch

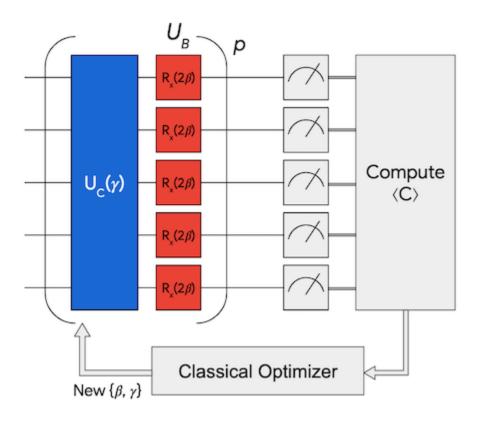
- The loop is executed in the cloud, with lower latency to the quantum machine and preferential queuing to the quantum machine.
- The quantum state is discarded at the end of each iteration of the loop and only a small amount of information is sent back to the pilot loop for the next iteration.
- This level does not execute anything that cannot be executed at level 1
- → For some algorithms, it offers a significant acceleration (up to 120 times faster with this mode according to IBM).
- → You may lose some control over your algorithm.





QPU – CPU : Four level of integration Level 3 : Integrated Quantum Computing

- Quantum static circuits may contain measurement operations only at the end of the circuit.

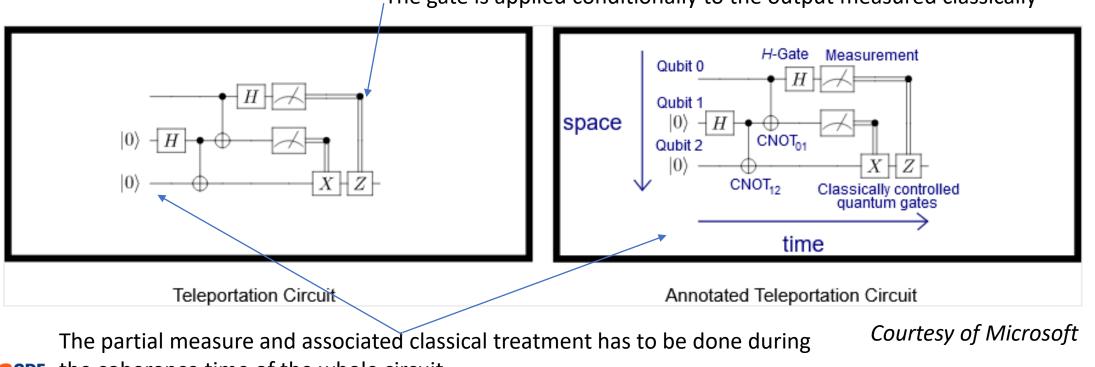






QPU – CPU : Four level of integration Level 3 : Integrated Quantum Computing

For some algorithms, it may be much more efficient to do some partial measurement in order to change the parameters of the remaining parts of the circuits.



The gate is applied conditionally to the output measured classically



the coherence time of the whole circuit.

QPU – CPU : Four levels of integration Level 4 : High Performance Quantum Computing

The restrictions of Level 3 are that

- the classical code and the quantum code can only interact between the iterations of the loop
- the classical code can only modify the parameter of the circuit, not changing it completely.

A tighter integration between the classical code and the quantum code is the object of level 4 in which one can modify the circuit itself and not only the parameters.



Integration, Hardware & Algorithms



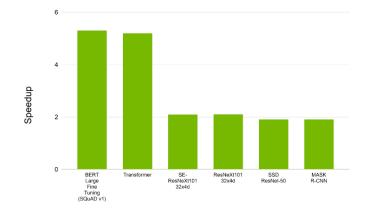


The impact of integration on the classical side.

- Today
 - a clever integration between say CPUs and GPUs might « only » accelerate the computation.
 - Apart from expert developers, algorithms developers don't care that much on the integration level nor on the machines their algorithms are applied on.
 - Modern Machine Learning scientists even just add a Flag « import tensorflow_gpu » to use a GPU.

The integration became so high that it became transparent to the end user.









The level of integration & Hardware on *Quantum algorithms*

- In the Quantum World, things are still different from a hardware to another.
- It might be a desirable feature for now no converging that fast.
- In the following, we show some examples showing how the nature of the hardware and of the integration might lead to very different natures of algorithms.

Hardware impact on the Algorithms Combinatorial problems 1/2

Let's consider a Combinatorial problem having some constraints. To deal with these problems, one may

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- Transform the problem into a QUBO and add additional terms to handle the constraints.

- On **Dwave** the implementation will be conditioned to the required connectivity [1].
- On **Gate based models**, one can run a QAOA algorithms but the more constraints

you'll have the more pain you'll have to make the algorithm converges [2].

- Transform the problem into a Graph (e.g Max Independent Set) and use the Rydberg Blockade Mechanism to integrate some constraints [3]

→ At the end depending on your problem and the machine, you won't get even the same kind of results.

[1] Deleplanque, Samuel. "Quantum Computing for solving the 3SAT problem by reduction to the MIS combinatorial optimization problem." (2023).

[2] Akshay, V., et al. "Reachability deficits in quantum approximate optimization of graph problems." *Quantum* 5 (2021): 532.
[3] Nguyen, Minh-Thi, et al. "Quantum optimization with arbitrary connectivity using Rydberg atom arrays." *PRX Quantum* 4.1 (2023): 010316.

Integration impact on the Algorithms Combinatorial Problems (Maximum Independent Set (2))

- One can imagine that in the Future, QPUs will be installed in parallel.
- The way this parallelisation is done may change in a deep way both the algorithms and the machine requirements.
 - With a naive parallelisation between QPUs that only share the results, you won't gain anything
 - If you add the possibility to do a qubit teleportation, both the requirements in terms of qubits and connectivity might be much more lower.

Saleem, Zain H., et al. "Divide and Conquer for Combinatorial Optimization and Distributed Quantum Computation." *arXiv preprint arXiv:2107.07532* (2021).

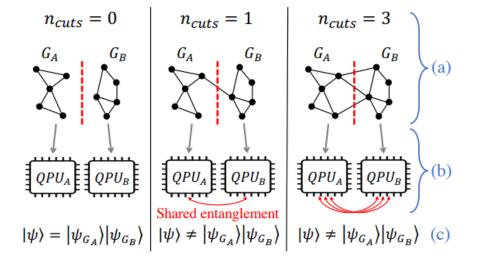
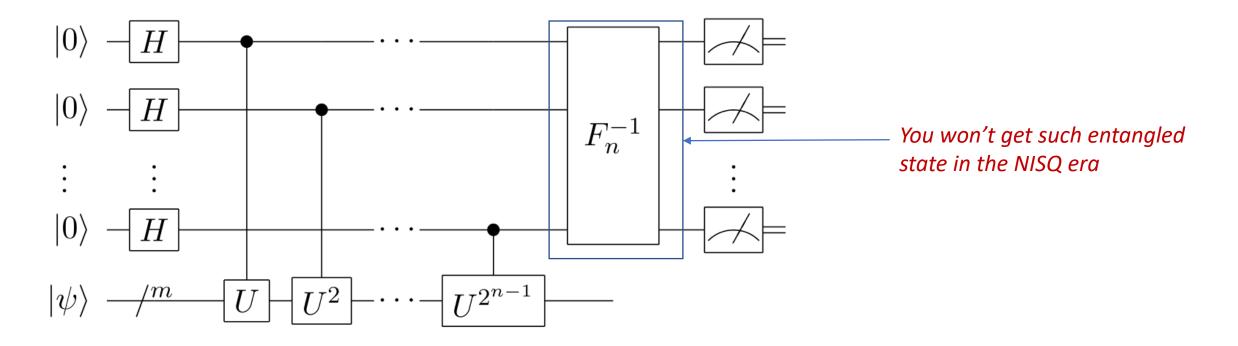


Figure 2: In-depth view of three possible compilations within the ansatz construction and quantum circuit cutting steps of Figure 1. After the graph has been partitioned, (a) the ansatz is constructed and the hyperparameter n_{cuts} indicates how many edges should be allowed to cross the partition. That ansatz is then (b) mapped to distributed quantum computers using quantum circuit cutting techniques. When (c) the ansatz is executed, the final output state $|\psi\rangle$ may be entangled if $n_{cuts} > 0$. As more edges are allowed to cross the partition, more information from the original input graph is preserved at the cost of increasing quantum communication overheads.



Integration impact on the Algorithms Quantum Phase estimation

- The vanilla version of Quantum phase estimation is the most costly in terms of quantum hardware: it requires a large number of qubits, low error rate and good enough connectivity.





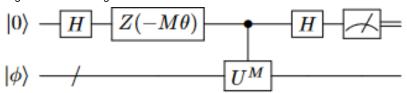
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Integration impact on the Algorithms Quantum Phase estimation

- **Bayesian Phase estimation** [1] is an improvement of Phase Estimation and is based on the Iterative Phase estimation family.
- It is the most demanding in terms of classical hardware as
 - it needs an exponentially long classical calculation in terms of the number of bits of precision required at each iteration.

Moreover we need to be able to keep the eigenstate $|\psi\rangle$ in quantum memory during this classical computation time.



Steps [1] K. M. Svore, M. B. Hastings, and M. Freedman, "Faster phase estimation" Inspired from https://vivienlonde.github.io/blog/estimation-de-phase

PE algorithms use this circuit to infer the bits in a binary expansion of φ in order from least significant to most significant.



Integration impact on the Algorithms Quantum Phase estimation

- Random walk estimation is still based on Iterative Phase Estimation but has the disadvantage of being adaptive:
 - the parameters of the new iteration depend on the measurement results of the previous iteration requiring very fast communication between the quantum processor and classical one.

Algorithm	Pro	Cons
Phase Estimation (PE)	Low Integration with HPC Required	Far from being attainable in the NISQ Era. High entanglement required
Bayesian PE	Closer to NISQ	HPC requirement too high
Random Walk PE	Closer To NISQ	Very high integration between HPC & QPU



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