

# CERN QTI: Overview

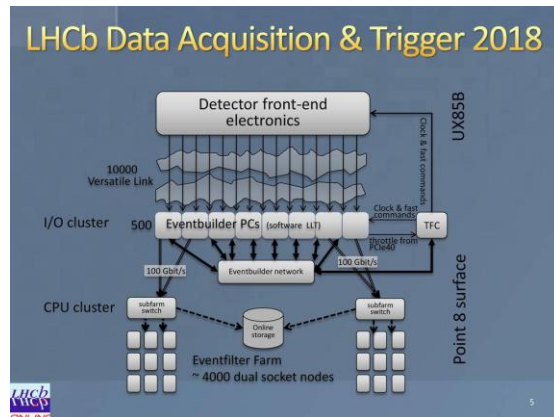
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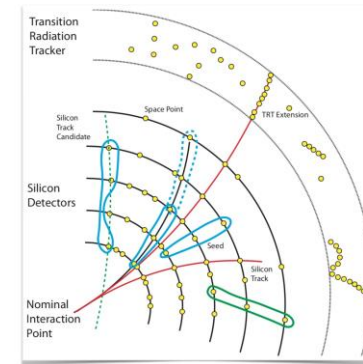
# LHC Experiments Computing Workloads

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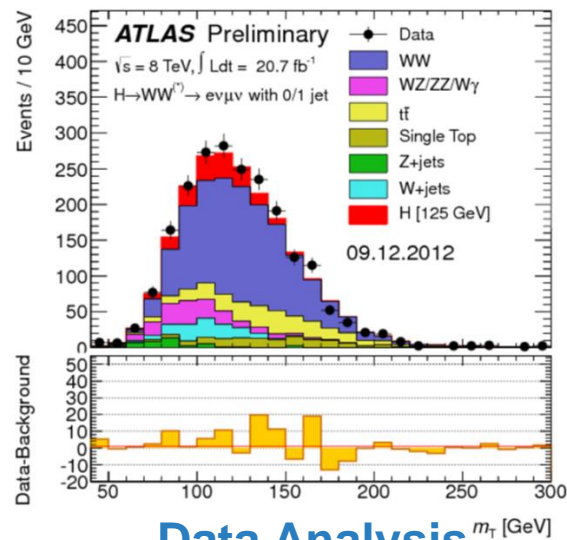


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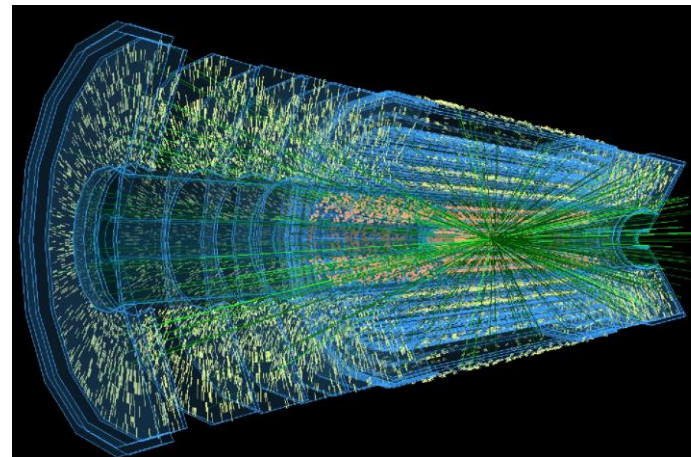
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**Track Reconstruction**

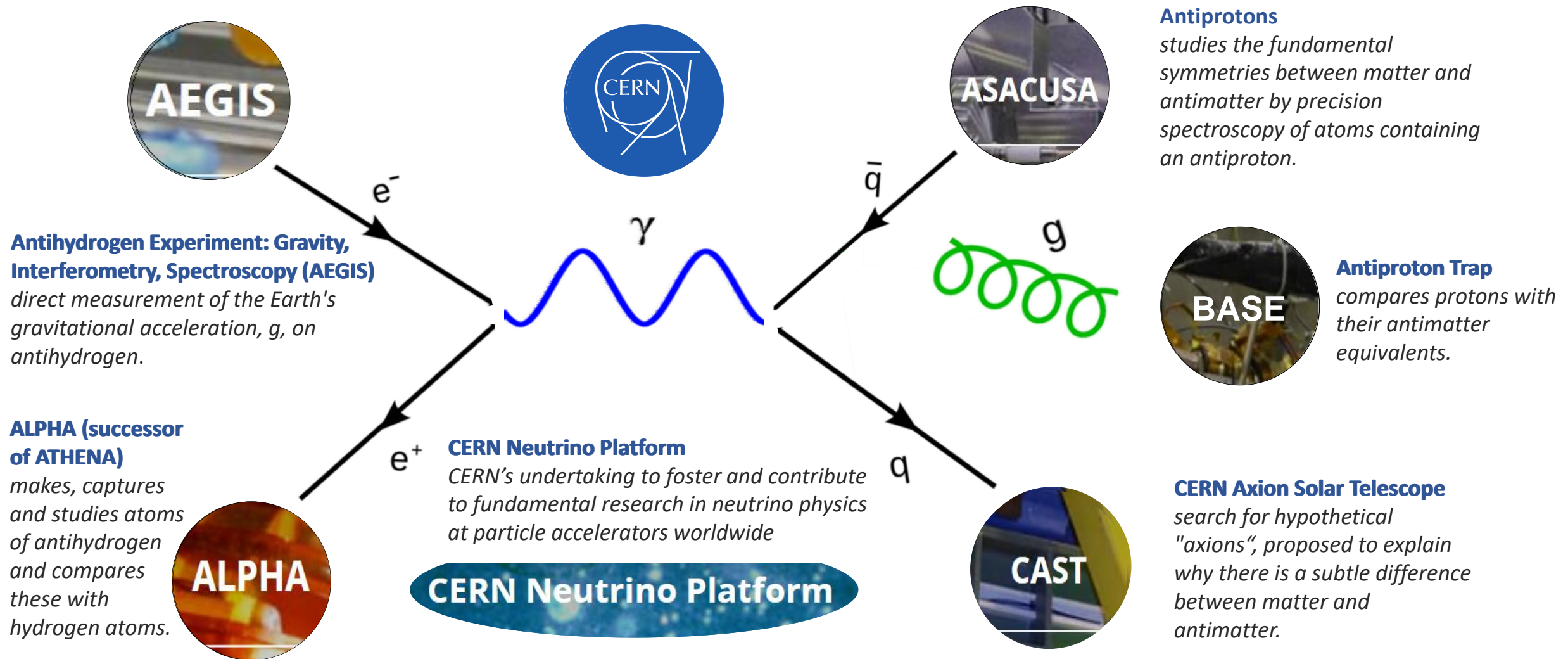


**Data Analysis**



**Simulation**

# Non-LHC Experiments





# Quantum Theory

**pQCD and Standard Model** — collider physics, parton showers, theory input for precision electroweak, interpretation of data from collision experiments

**Heavy Ion** — effective descriptions of quark gluon plasma, jets in heavy ion collisions, hydrodynamics of strongly coupled systems

**Lattice** — theory inputs for nuclear and particle physics, first principle calculations of the low energy aspects of QCD, lattice as a formal tool for understanding QFTs

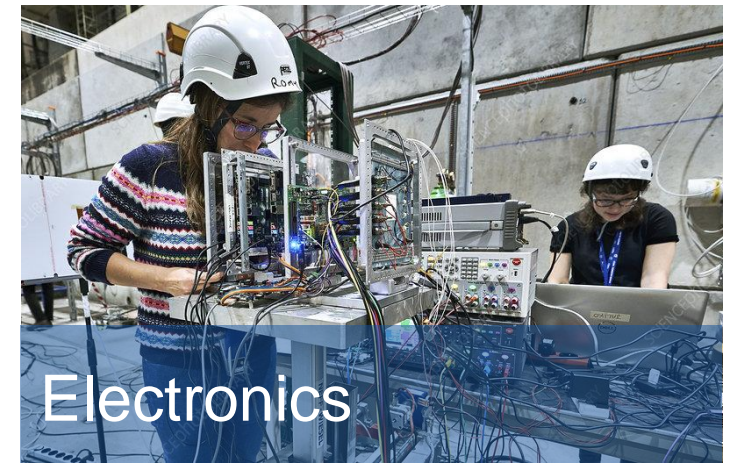
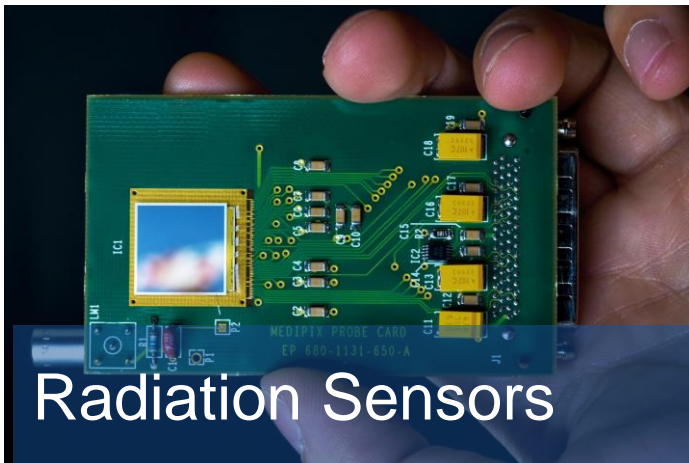
**BSM** — collider searches for BSM, dark matter model building, experimental signatures of dark matter, model building of new physics, BSM explanation of experimental anomalies

**Strings/QFT** — quantum gravity, string theory, conformal bootstrap, AdS/CFT correspondence, information paradox

**Cosmo/AstroParticle** — properties and evolution of the early universe, large scale structure, dark sectors, neutrinos, gravitational waves, CMB



# Engineering



# CERN Quantum Technology Initiative

**Discussions about a Quantum Technology Initiative took place in 2020** with representatives of quantum initiatives in the CERN Member States, the CERN community, the Worldwide LHC Computing Grid, the CERN Scientific Computing Forum, with LHC experiments and the HEP Software Foundation



T1 - Scientific and Technical  
Development and Capacity  
Building

T3 - Community Building

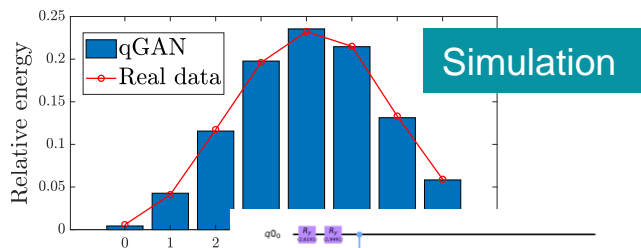
T2 - Co-development

T4 - Integration with national and  
international initiatives and  
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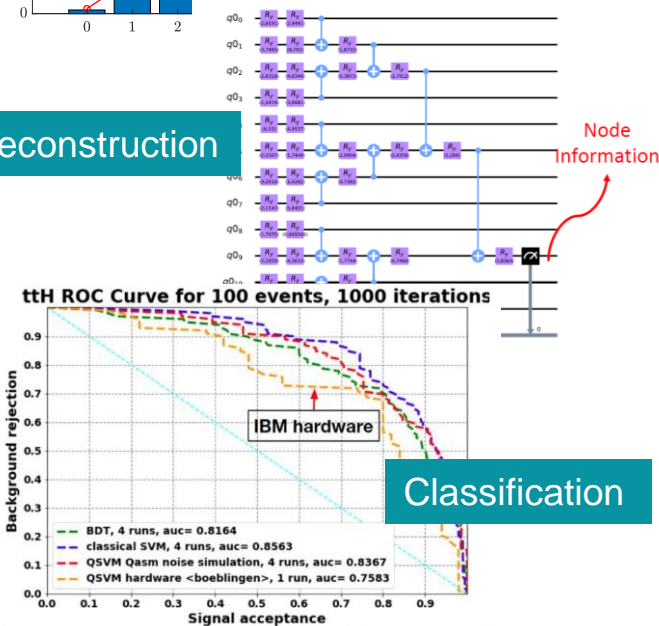


# R&D Interests

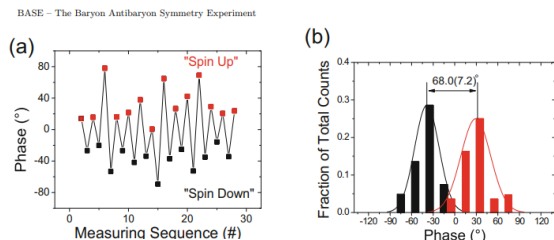
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## Reconstruction

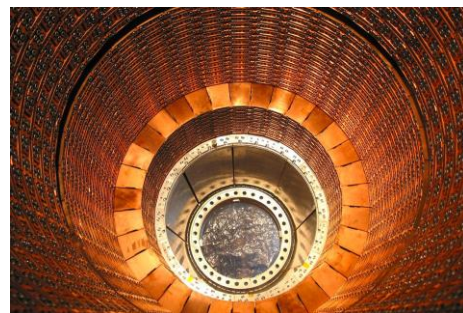


## Sensing



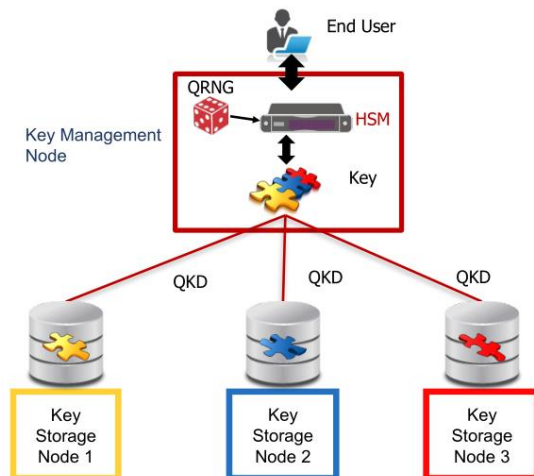
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Low-energy experiments, quantum states measurements, nano-technologies



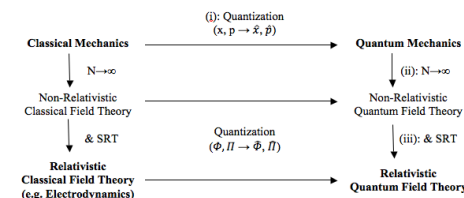
Future HEP Detectors

## Communications

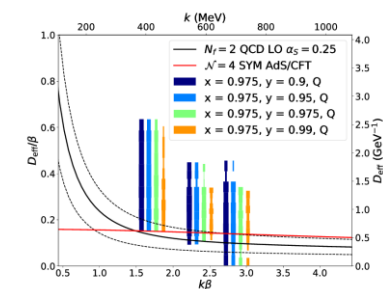


QKD  
infrastructures  
Quantum Internet

## Theory



## Quantum Field Theory



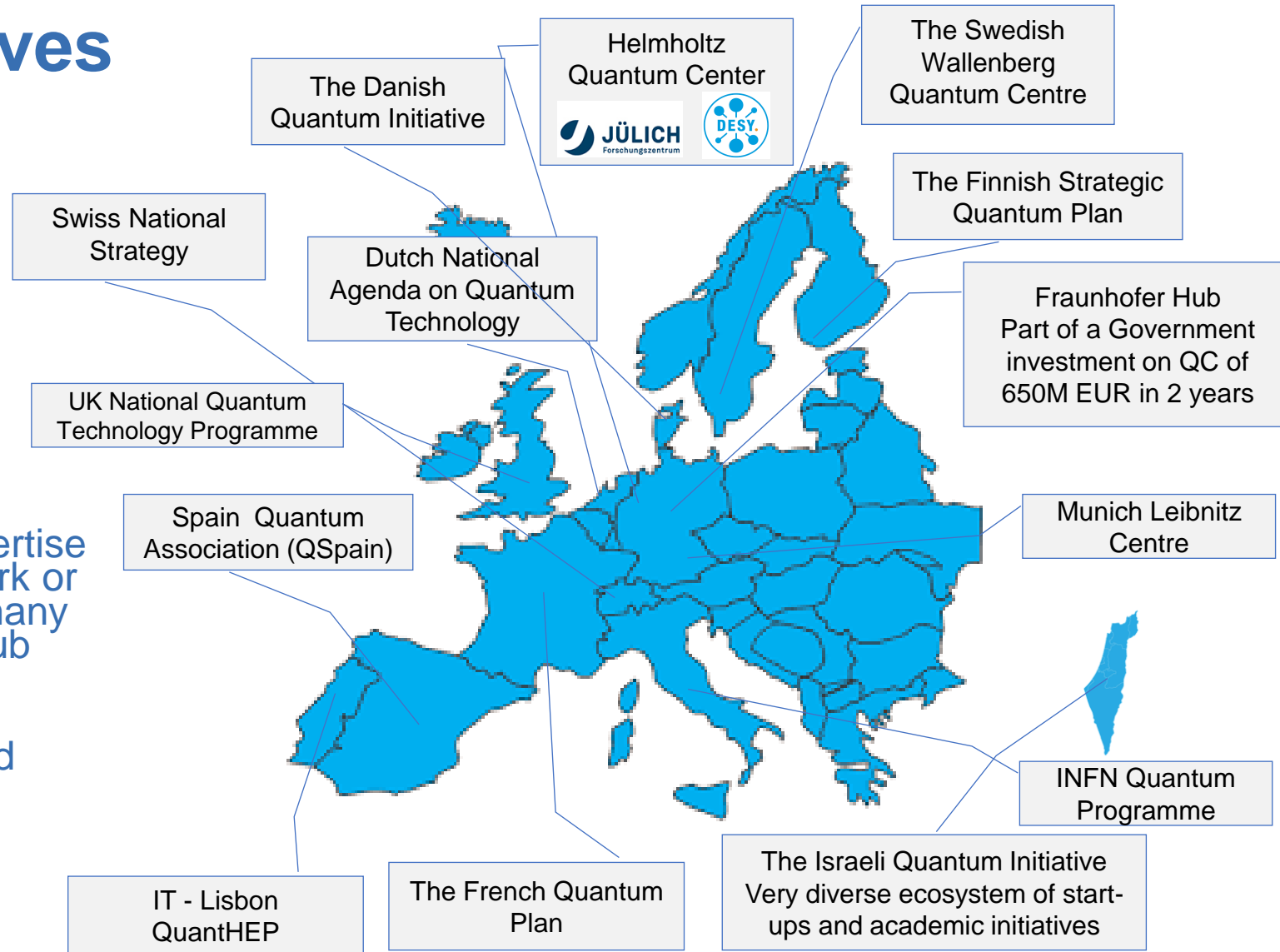
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Lattice QCD

Many pilot projects already started as part of the **CERN openlab quantum** programme (<https://openlab.cern/quantum>)

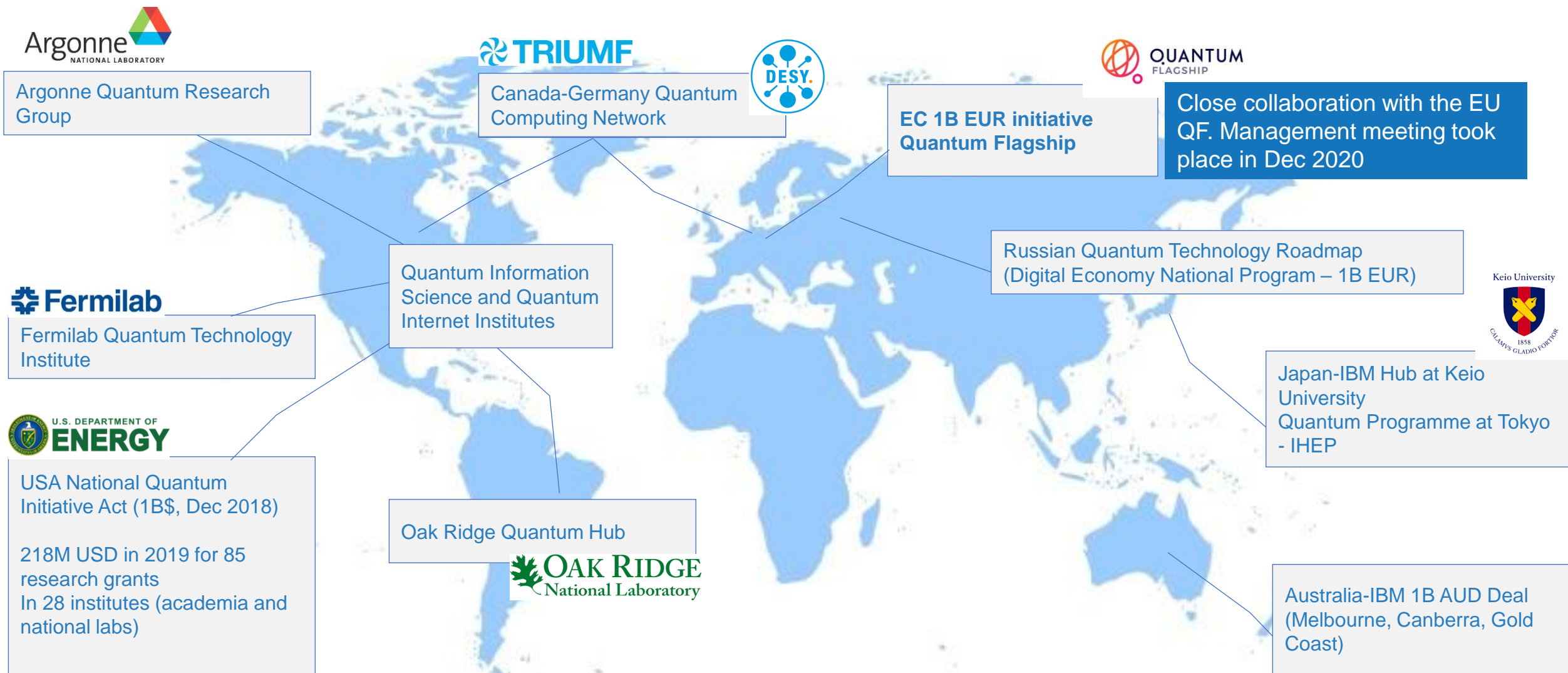
# Member States Initiatives

- Many initiatives involving research labs, universities, companies have been announced in recent years
- National initiatives are put in place independently in several countries
- Companies have established large expertise networks: e.g. the IBM Quantum Network or Q-Net (with more than 100 members, many of them in Europe), or the Atos User Club
- Opportunities for joint collaborations and common programmes are emerging in particular in the CERN Member States





# Worldwide Initiatives and Investments



# Who we are talking to

## Organizations and Projects



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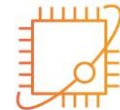
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## Academia, Research Labs and Agencies



Universidad de Oviedo



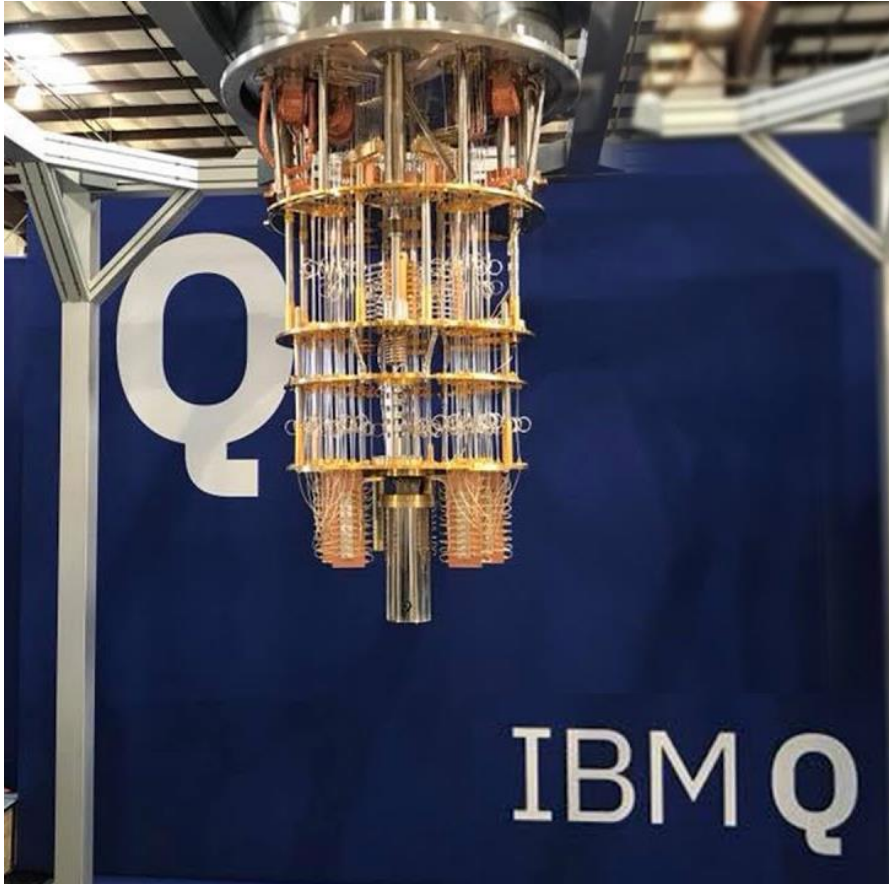
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# CERN Quantum Hub



CERN is a Hub Member of the IBM Quantum Network

Access to IBM hardware based on quotas for Hub members and projects

Agreement for 3 years at negotiated conditions

- All members have the same conditions as CERN

Now looking for expressions of interest for new members either for individual membership or projects (currently in discussion with a few institutes in the CERN Member States)



# Quantum Computing at CERN

- Assess **QC potential** in HEP
  - Development and optimization of algorithms targeted for **realistic** use cases
  - Ideal and NISQ configurations
- Build expertise on **state-of-the-art software stack**
  - Simulators, hardware specific vs agnostic frameworks, ...
  - Optimisation of classical computing resources for QC studies (HPC)
- Set up a distributed QC **Simulation platform**
  - Provide **resource access** to the community for R&D

Initial investigations set a baseline for **prioritisation** and **systematisation**

- Start on **Quantum Machine Learning**
  - Relatively loose definition
  - Variational approach / Robustness to noise

Interest QC **algorithms beyond QML**

Now a **more formal approach** to algorithms, methods, error characterisation and correction

- NISQ optimisations
- Data embedding / scalability / problem dimensionality

**Different hardware**

- “Mainstream” (Semi-conductors, ions, ...) (IBM, Google, Rigetti, IonQ)
- Photon QC (Xanadu) , Quantum Annealer (D-Wave)
- Quantum-inspired computing (Fujitsu digital, Toshiba SBM)

# QML models implementations for NISQ

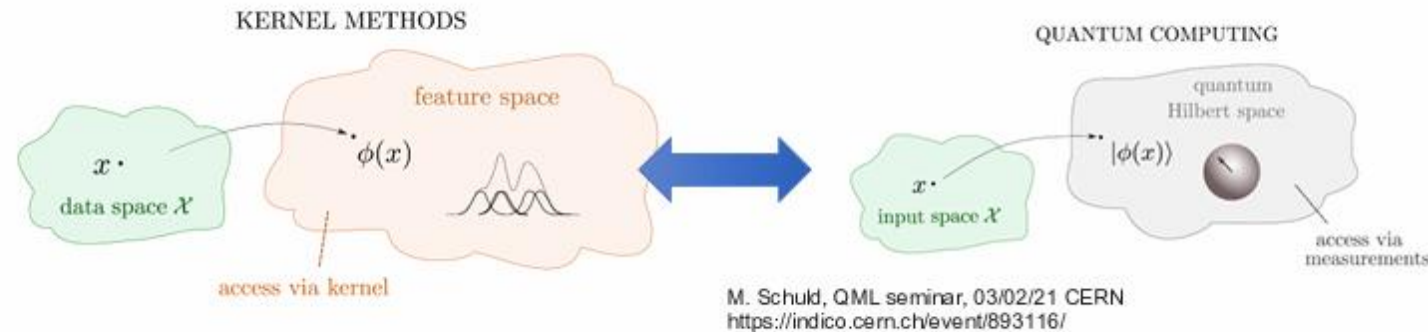
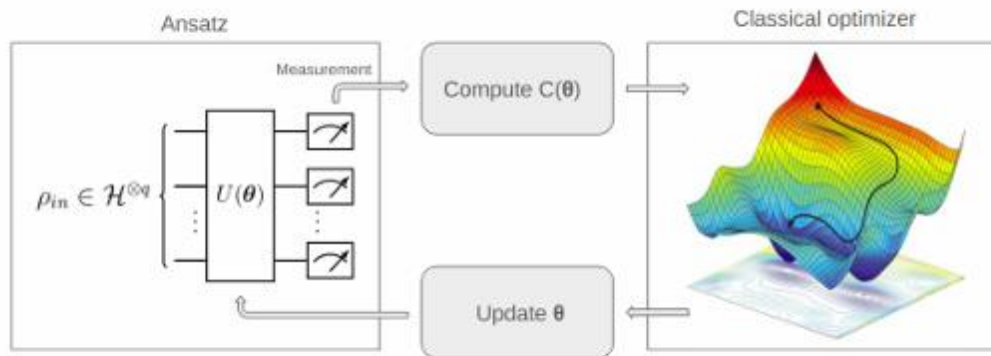
## Variational algorithms - EXPLICIT

- Flexible parametric ansatz: design can leverage data symmetries<sup>1</sup>
- Can use **gradient-free** methods or **stochastic gradient-descent**
- **Data Embedding** can be **learned**
- **Better generalization**<sup>1</sup>

## Kernel methods - IMPLICIT

- **Feature maps** as **quantum kernels**
- **Convex** losses, **global** minimum
- Identify kernel classes that relate to specific **data structures**<sup>3</sup>
- **Better accuracy**<sup>2</sup>

→ What is easiest to use/define?



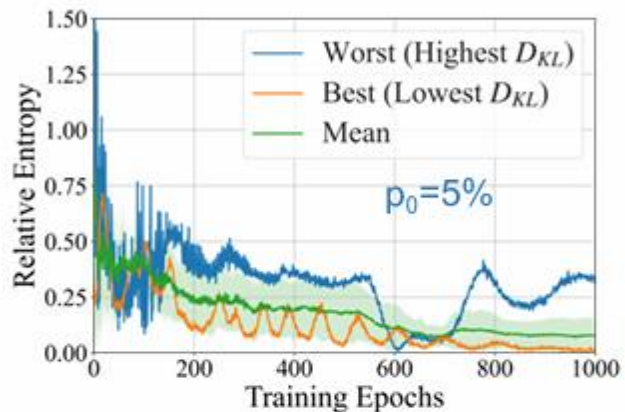
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Do they really differ? Where to focus?

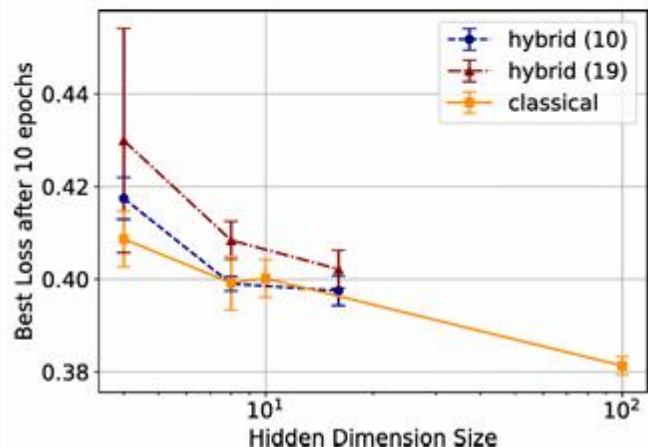


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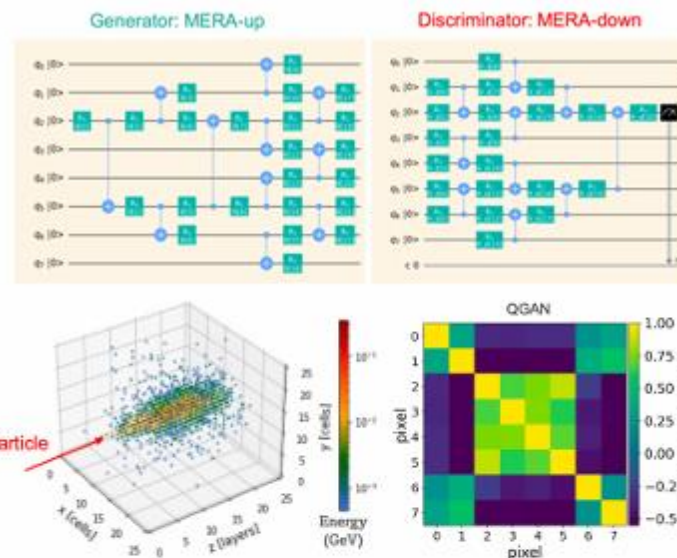
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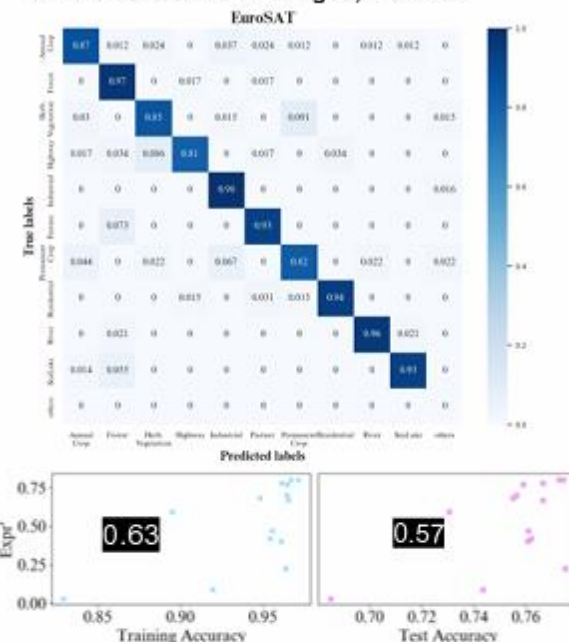
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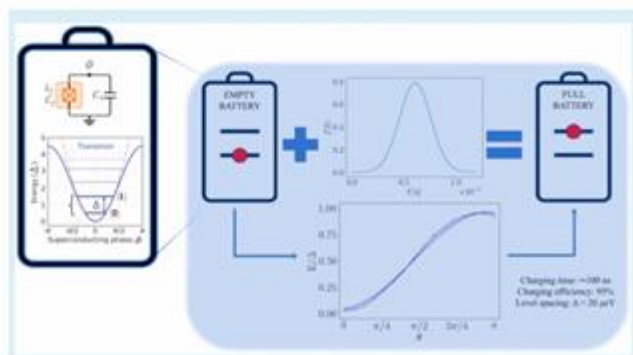
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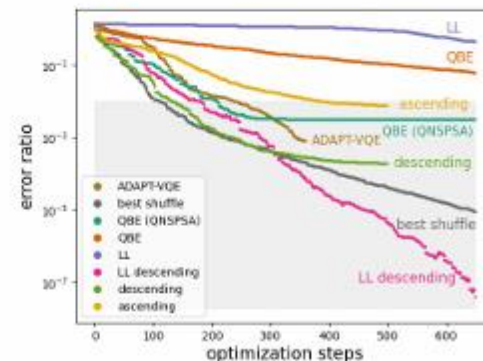
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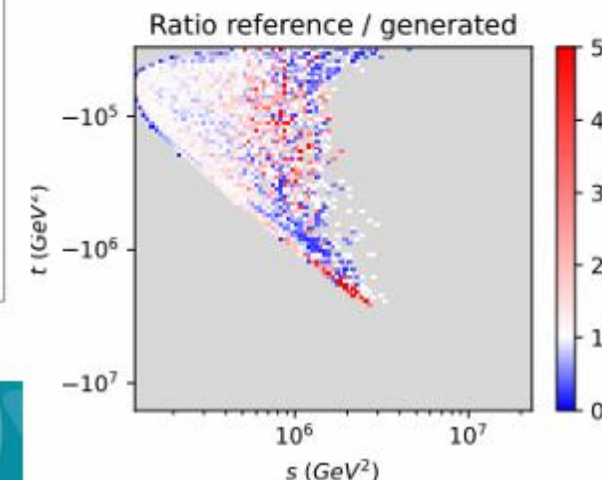
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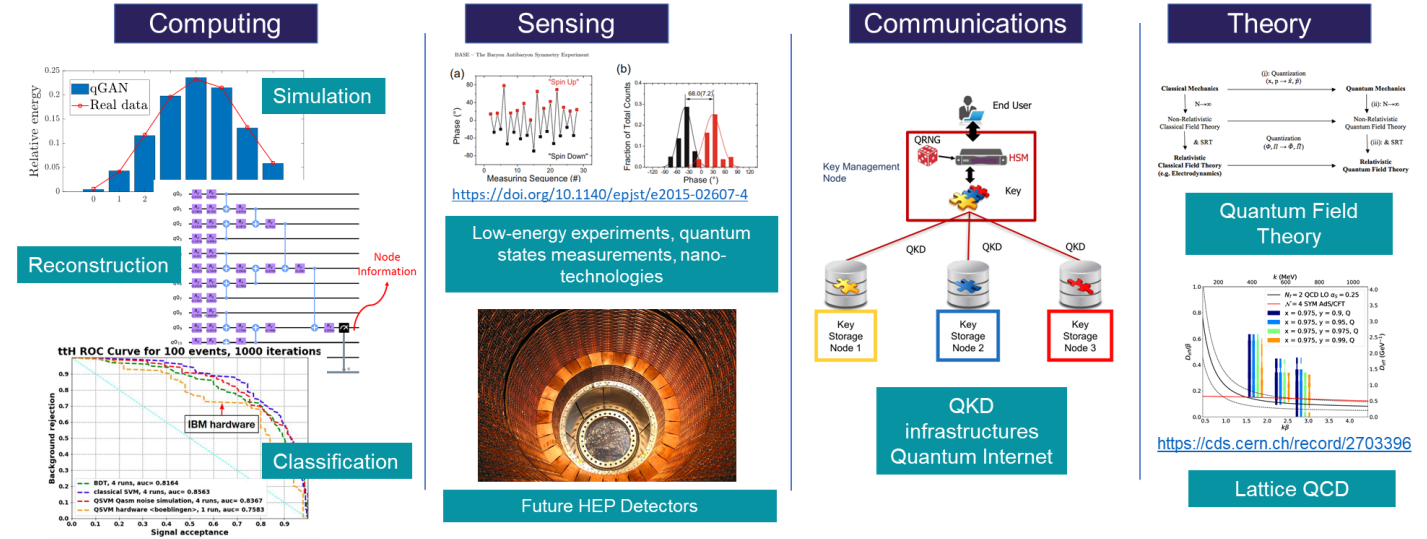
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# Scientific Production

- More than 20 projects in all four quantum areas
- More than 30 publications
  - Many of them on peer-reviewed journals
- More than 20 talks and presentations at conferences and workshops



# International Conference on Quantum Technologies for High-Energy Physics (QT4HEP22)

1–4 Nov 2022  
CERN

Europe/Zurich timezone

There is a [live webcast](#) for this event.



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**Registration deadline extended until Friday, 28 October** for the International Conference on Quantum Technology for High-Energy Physics, which will be hosted at CERN on 1–4 November 2022.

Following [CERN's successful workshop on quantum computing in 2018](#), this is the first edition of the #QT4HEP conference taking place to further investigate the nascent quantum technology and its great promise to support scientific research.

Bringing the whole community together, we aim to foster common activities and knowledge sharing, discuss the recent developments in the quantum science field and keep looking for activities within HEP — and beyond — that can most benefit from the application of quantum technologies.



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# White paper on Quantum Computing for HEP

## Quantum Computing for High-Energy Physics State of the Art and Challenges Summary of the QC4HEP Working Group

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### Abstract

Quantum computers offer a fascinating path for a paradigmatic change of computing with the potential of a quantum advantage. The rapid development of hardware devices with various realizations of qubits allows already now to execute small scale but representative applications on quantum computers. In particular, the High Energy Physics community plays a pivotal role in accessing the power of quantum computing, since the field is a driving source for challenging computational problems. This overview on the theoretical side the explanation of

Successful QT4HEP Conference in November, more than 250 attendees. **A working group on Quantum technology for HEP has been formed** with participation from HEP Institutes in EU, US, Japan and other countries showing the impact that CERN is having in the field via the QTI activities.

**Working on a joint paper across the HEP community to be published in Spring 2023. More than 40 contributors from HEP institutes in EU, US, and Japan**



# Next steps

- Initial exploration has been very successful
- We need to move to the next level → Integration within large-scale computing infrastructures
- Large investments in the CERN Member States and LHC experiments members on HPC and Quantum
- The EC is implementing a strategy based on the establishment of a number of pre-exascale and exascale HPC centres – coordinated through the EuroHPC collaboration. Work to assess the use of HPC for HEP is underway
- The EU exascale centres have recently been selected to co-host also the future Quantum computing centres – coordinated through the EuroQCS programme
- CERN interests is in collaborating with the EuroHPC+EuroQCS centres to co-develop hybrid classic/quantum accelerated algorithms

# Knowledge Transfer Opportunities



The screenshot shows the CERN Knowledge Transfer website. The header includes the CERN logo and the text 'Knowledge Transfer Accelerating Innovation'. Navigation links are: ABOUT US, ACTIVITIES & SERVICES, TECHNOLOGIES, COMPETENCES, APPLICATIONS, and WHO. The main heading is 'CERN tech for Quantum Systems'. Below it is a large abstract image of quantum systems. To the right, there are two sections: 'GET INVOLVED' with links for Industry, Work for CERN, and HEP Academic collaboration; and 'CONTACT PERSON' featuring Benjamin Frisch, Knowledge Transfer Officer, with his email (benjamin.frisch@cern.ch) and phone number (+41 22 76 64 576).

- Measurement & control of quantum-scale systems
- Particle traps technologies
- Excited atoms, ions
- Picosecond Synchronisation
- FPGAs for quantum simulators
- Digital Low-Level Radio Frequency (LLRF) control systems
- Cryogenic system design, measurement & control
- Vacuum system design & control (HV, UHV, XHV)
- Thin film coatings for high-performance applications
- Laser devices

<https://kt.cern/competences/cern-tech-quantum-systems>

# Education Programme

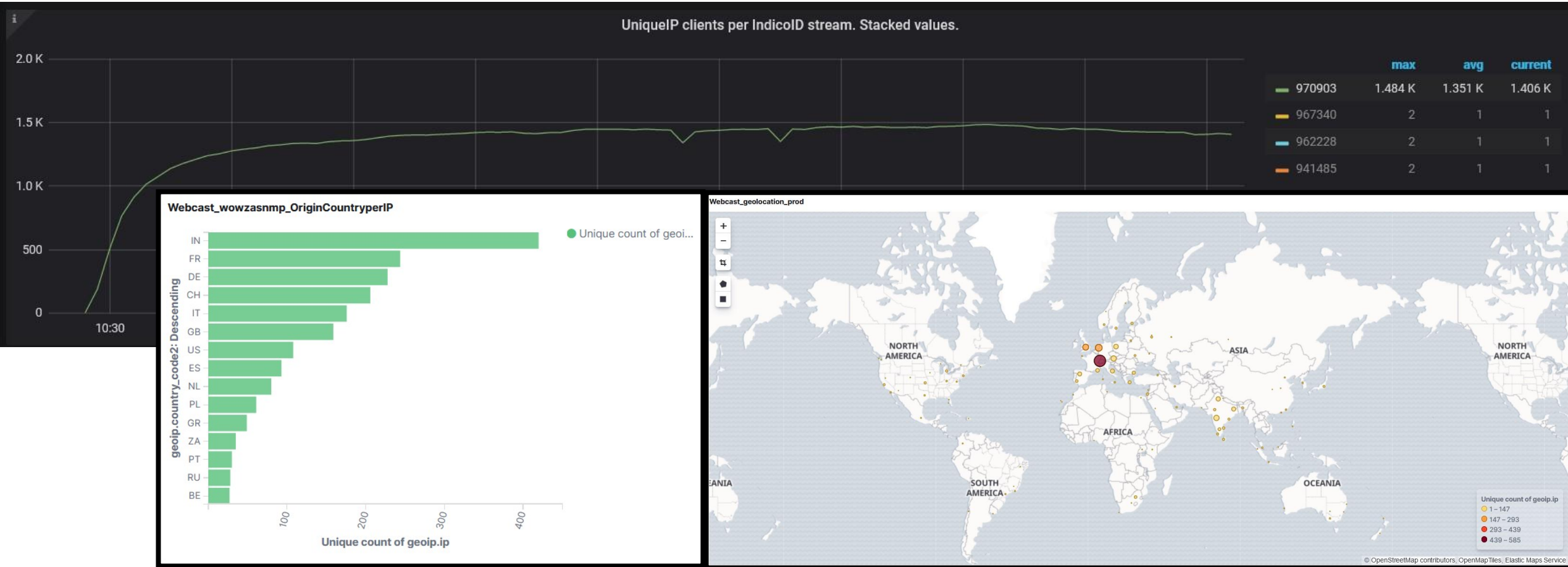
Fundamental component to prepare the community for future applications of quantum technology

- › Lectures and seminars with field experts (in collaboration with the CERN Academic Training Services)
- › Training courses (in collaboration with academic and industry experts)
- › Colloquia and specialistic seminars
- › Hackathons
- › Summer Students Programmes



# “A Practical Introduction to Quantum Computing”

A 7-part lecture series by Prof. Elias Combarro, University of Oviedo, CERN Scientific Associate (06/11-18/12/2020)





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# CERN Quantum Technology Initiative

## Accelerating Quantum Technology Research and Applications

<https://quantum.cern.ch>

Quantum technology is an emerging field of physics and engineering that have the potential to revolutionise science and society in the next five to ten years. Knowledge in this rapidly evolving field has advanced considerably, yet still there are resources required that are not a mainstream today.

CERN can be at the forefront of this revolution. Given the broad range of specialised technical expertise found at CERN, the Laboratory is in a unique position today to take a leading role in the development of quantum technologies not only for its own programmes, but also as a general contribution to the advancement of science and technology.

The CERN Quantum Technology Initiative (QTI) will define a three-year roadmap and research programme in collaboration with the HEP and quantum-technology research communities. Together, we will establish joint research, educational and training activities, set up the supporting computing infrastructure, and provide dedicated mechanisms for exchange of both knowledge and technology.

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