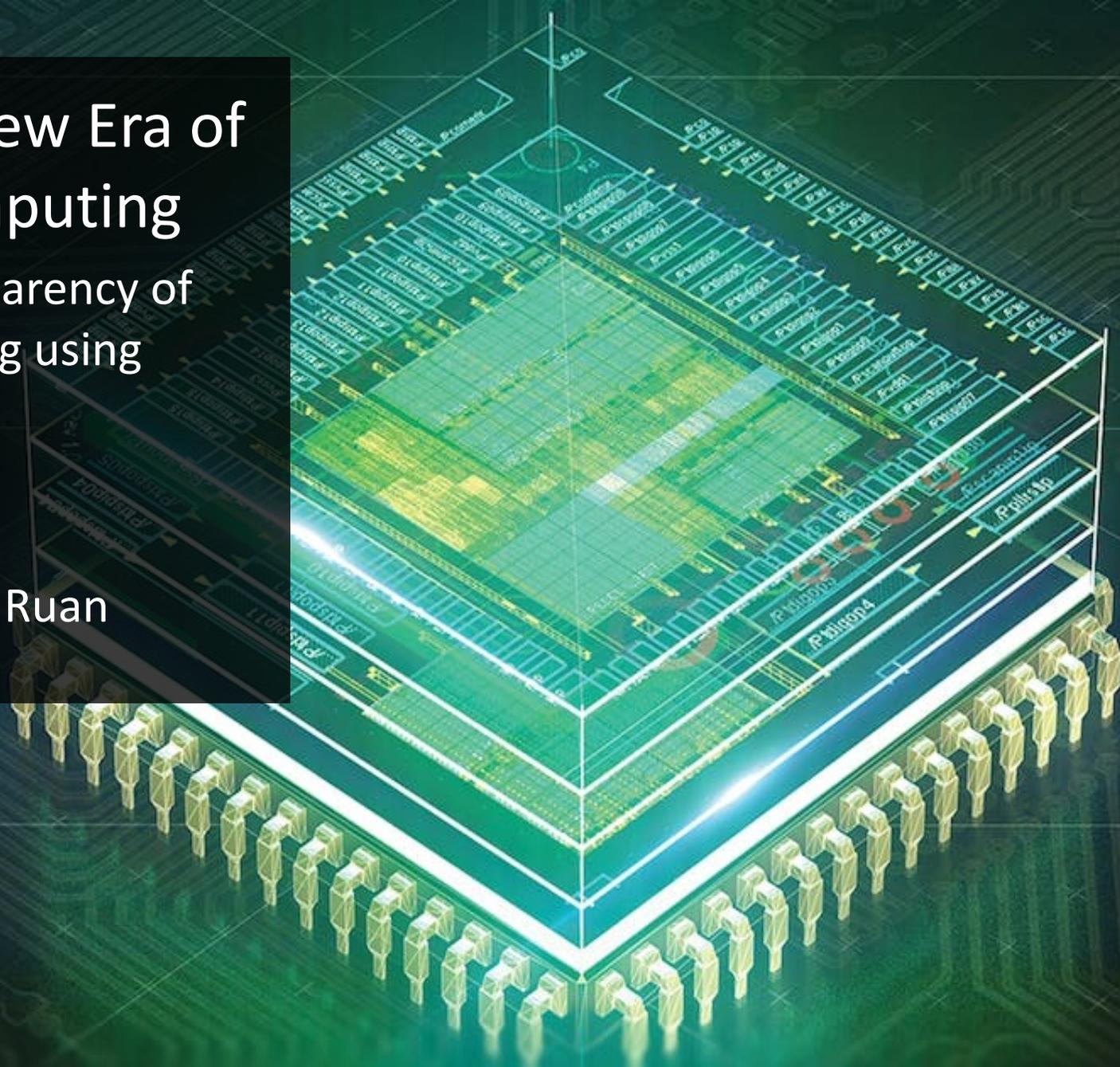


# Witness the New Era of Quantum Computing

Enhance the transparency of quantum computing using visualization

Presenter: Shaolun Ruan



# Hi there!

## Short Biography

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His major research interests include **Data Visualization**, **Human-Computer Interaction** and **Quantum Computing**.





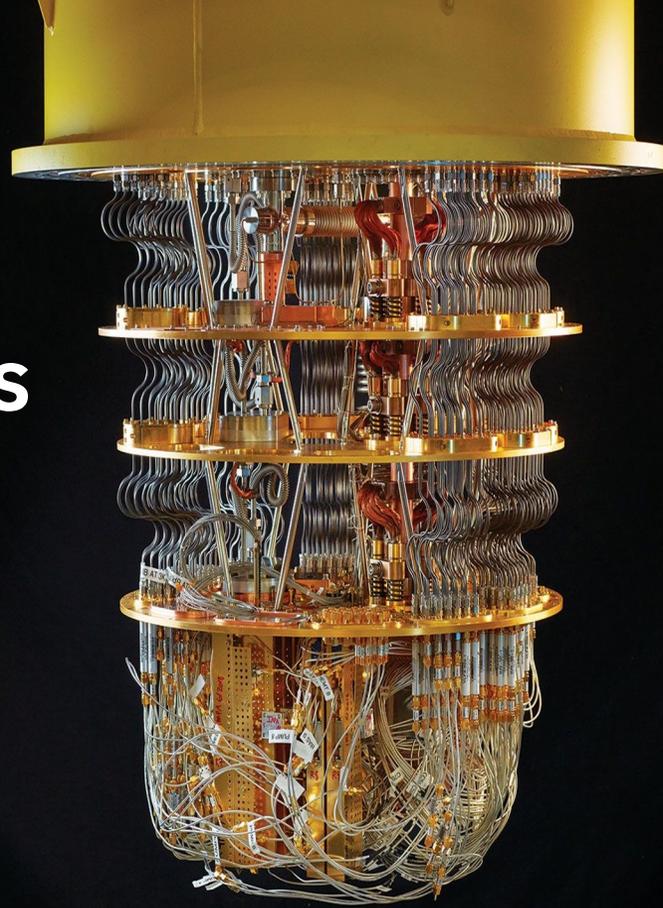
Quantum computers have shown a considerable **speedup over classical computers**

Arute F, Arya K, Babbush R, et al. Quantum supremacy using a programmable superconducting processor[J]. Nature, 2019, 574(7779): 505-510.



**15,650** quantum computer physicists were employed in the U.S. in 2015.

**90** different types of new job postings for quantum computing commercial jobs in 2018.



## Big IT Companies

- IBM
- Google
- Amazon
- Microsoft
- Intel
- Alibaba

## Start-up Companies

- Rigetti
- IonQ
- D-wave
- Xanadu
- Quantum Circuits, Inc.

# Quantum Advantages

- Integer Factorization
- Unstructured Search
- Fourier Transform
- etc.

<https://qiskit.org/textbook/ch-algorithms/index.html>

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## Quantum Supremacy Using a Programmable Superconducting Processor

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2019

Posted by John Martinis, Chief Scientist Quantum Hardware and Sergio Boixo, Chief Scientist Quantum Theory, Google AI Quantum

Physicists have been talking about the power of **quantum computing** for over 30 years, but the question has been: will it ever do something useful and is it worth investing in? For such large-scale endeavors it is good practice to formulate decisive short-term goals that demonstrate whether the designs are going in the right direction. So, we devised an experiment as an important milestone to help answer these questions. This experiment, as a **quantum supremacy** experiment, provided direction for our team to overcome the many technical challenges inherent in quantum systems engineering to make a computer that is both programmable and powerful. To measure total system performance we selected a sensitive computational benchmark that fails if just a single component of the computer is not good enough.

Today we published the results of this quantum supremacy experiment in the *Nature* article, "**Quantum Supremacy Using a Programmable Superconducting Processor**". We developed a new 54-qubit processor, named "Sycamore", which is comprised of fast, high-fidelity **quantum logic gates**, in order to perform the benchmark testing. Our machine performed the target computation in 200 seconds, and from measurements in our experiment we determined that it would take the world's fastest supercomputer 10,000 years to produce a similar output.





- Quantum Machine Learning
- Quantum Chemistry
- Financial Modelling
- Cybersecurity & Cryptography
- Drug Design & Development
- more...



A cleanroom laboratory with technicians in blue suits working at workstations with microscopes. The room is brightly lit with overhead lights and has a clean, sterile appearance. The technicians are focused on their work, and the equipment is modern and precise.

CEOs of quantum computing companies have noted  
**a lack of trained quantum computer scientists** in hiring

*Piattini, M. (2020). Training needs in quantum computing*

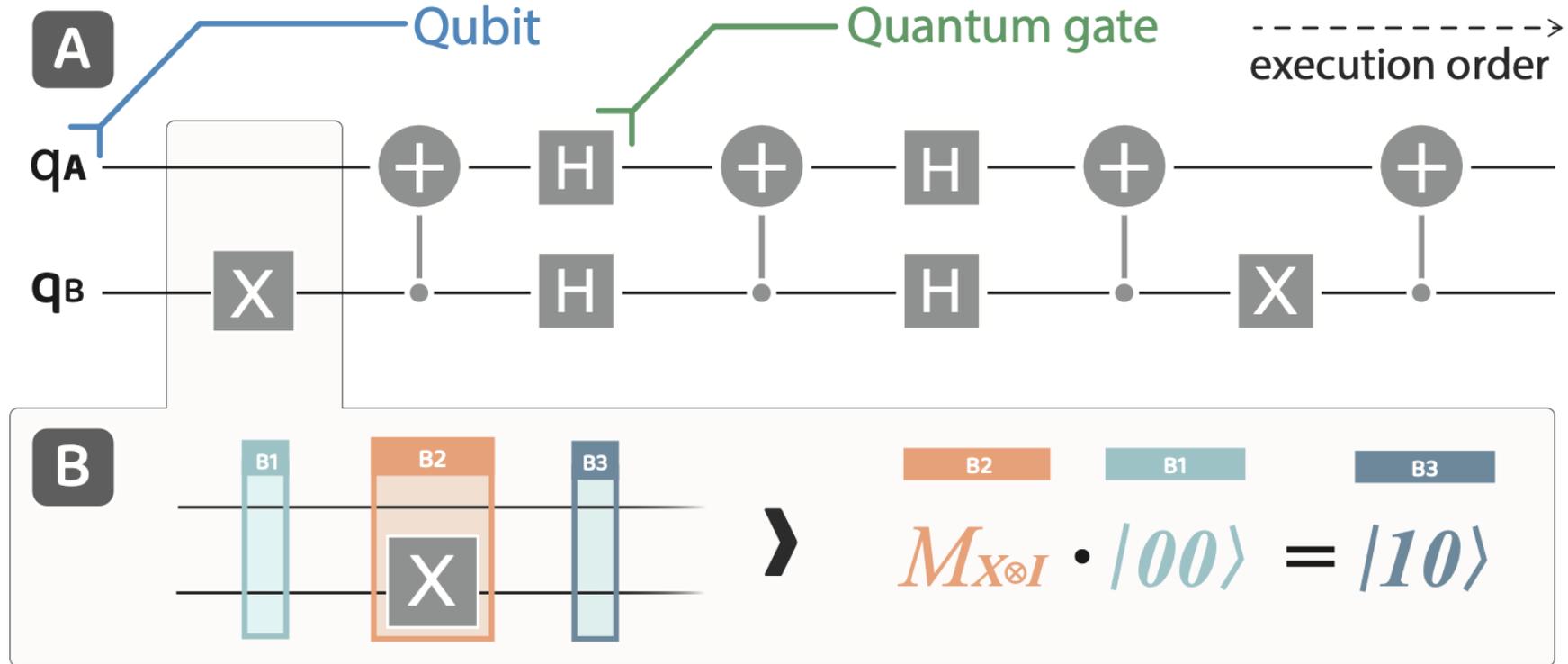
However, due to a **Steep Learning Curve**, it is not a trivial task to achieve the quantum advantage.



Quantum computing is hard for people to understand with ease



Quantum computing **needs** visualization



## Quantum circuit

## VACSEN: A Visualization Approach for Noise Awareness in Quantum Computing



## VENUS: A Geometrical Representation for Quantum State Visualization



## QuantumEyes: Towards Better Interpretability of Quantum Circuits



## VIOLET: Visual Analytics for Explainable Quantum Neural Networks



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# VACSEN: A Visualization Approach for IBM Quantum Computing

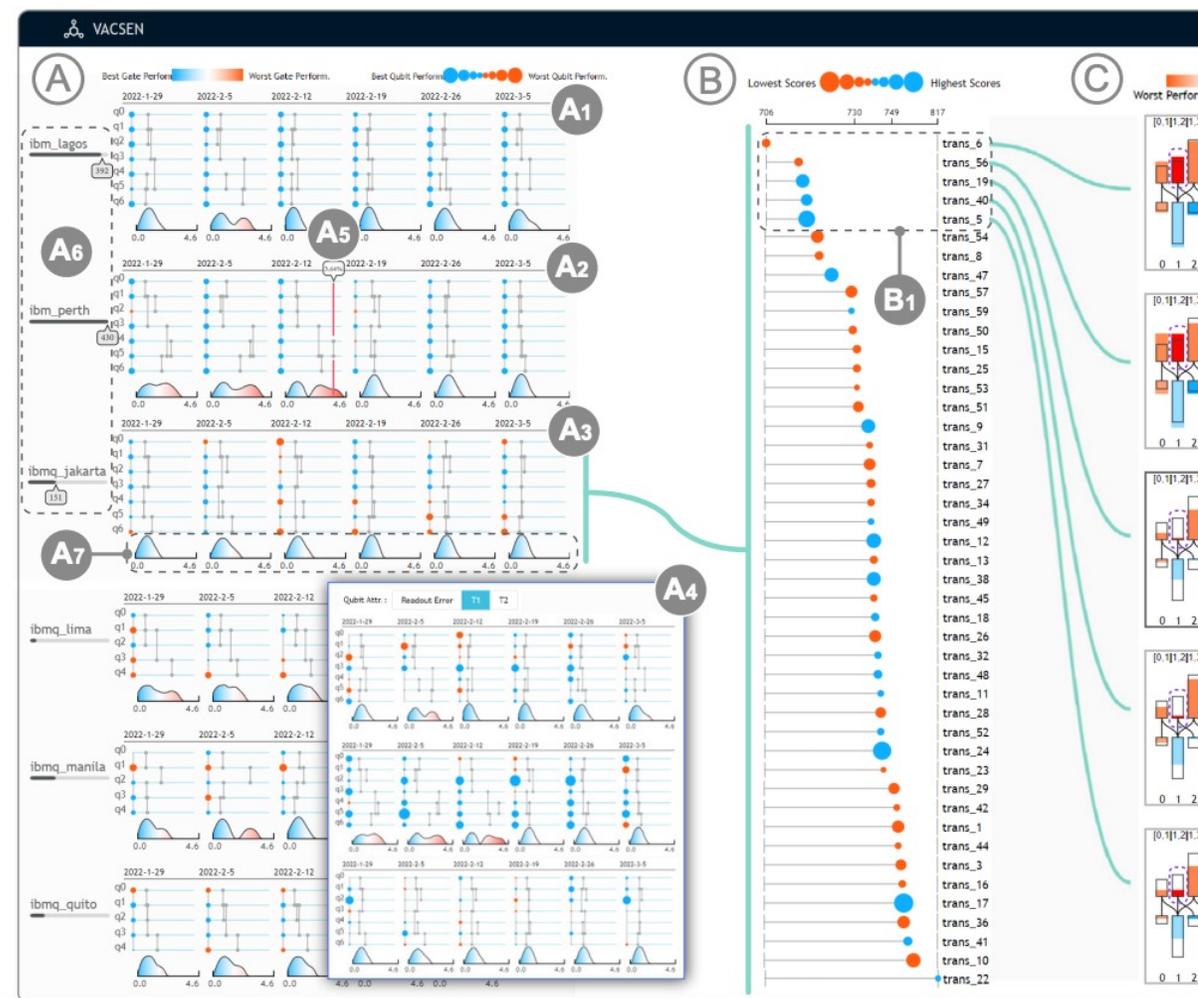
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## What's new?

The first tool to make IBMQ users aware of the noise in quantum computers.

## So what?

The results' uncertainty can be significantly mitigated in real time.





# VENUS: A Geometrical Representation for Quantum State Visualization



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# ***VENUS: A Geometrical Representation Visualization***

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## **Abstract**

*Visualizations have played a crucial role in helping quantum computing users exploring applications. Among them, Bloch Sphere is the widely-used visualization for angles to represent quantum amplitudes. However, it cannot support the visualization, the two essential properties of quantum computing. To address this issue, we propose a novel quantum state representation. By explicitly correlating 2D geometric shapes based on quantum computing characteristics, VENUS effectively represents quantum amplitudes of both the state and entanglement. Also, we use multiple coordinated semicircles to naturally encode probability amplitudes for superposition intuitive to analyze. We conducted two well-designed case studies and evaluated the usefulness and effectiveness of VENUS. The result shows that VENUS can effectively visualize quantum states for the single qubit and two qubits.*

## **CCS Concepts**

• **Human-centered computing** → Visualization application domains; • **Hardware** –

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## **What's new?**

A novel representation to visualize the quantum states

## **So what?**

The measured probability of basis state can be explained via the amplitudes for single- and two-qubit states.

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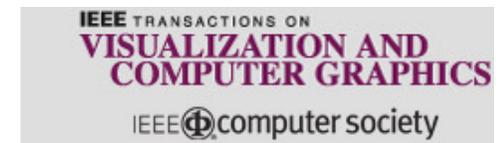
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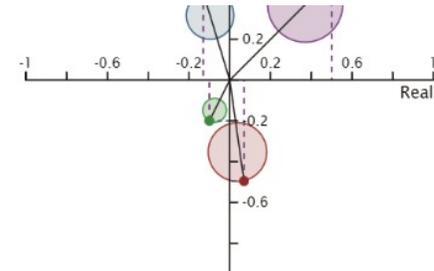
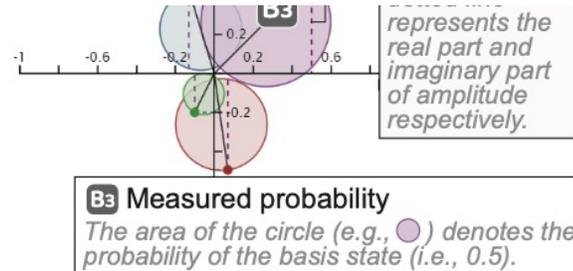
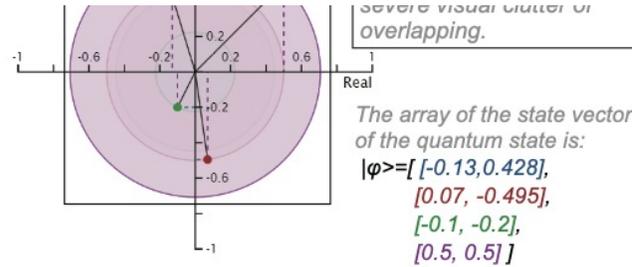


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## What's new?

A novel VA system to explain the static quantum circuit

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A novel representation to visualize N-qubit quantum state

## So what?

The system can make people better understand the static circuit

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A novel representation to explain the probability without visual clutter

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# VIOLET: Visual Analytics for Explainable Quantum Neural Networks



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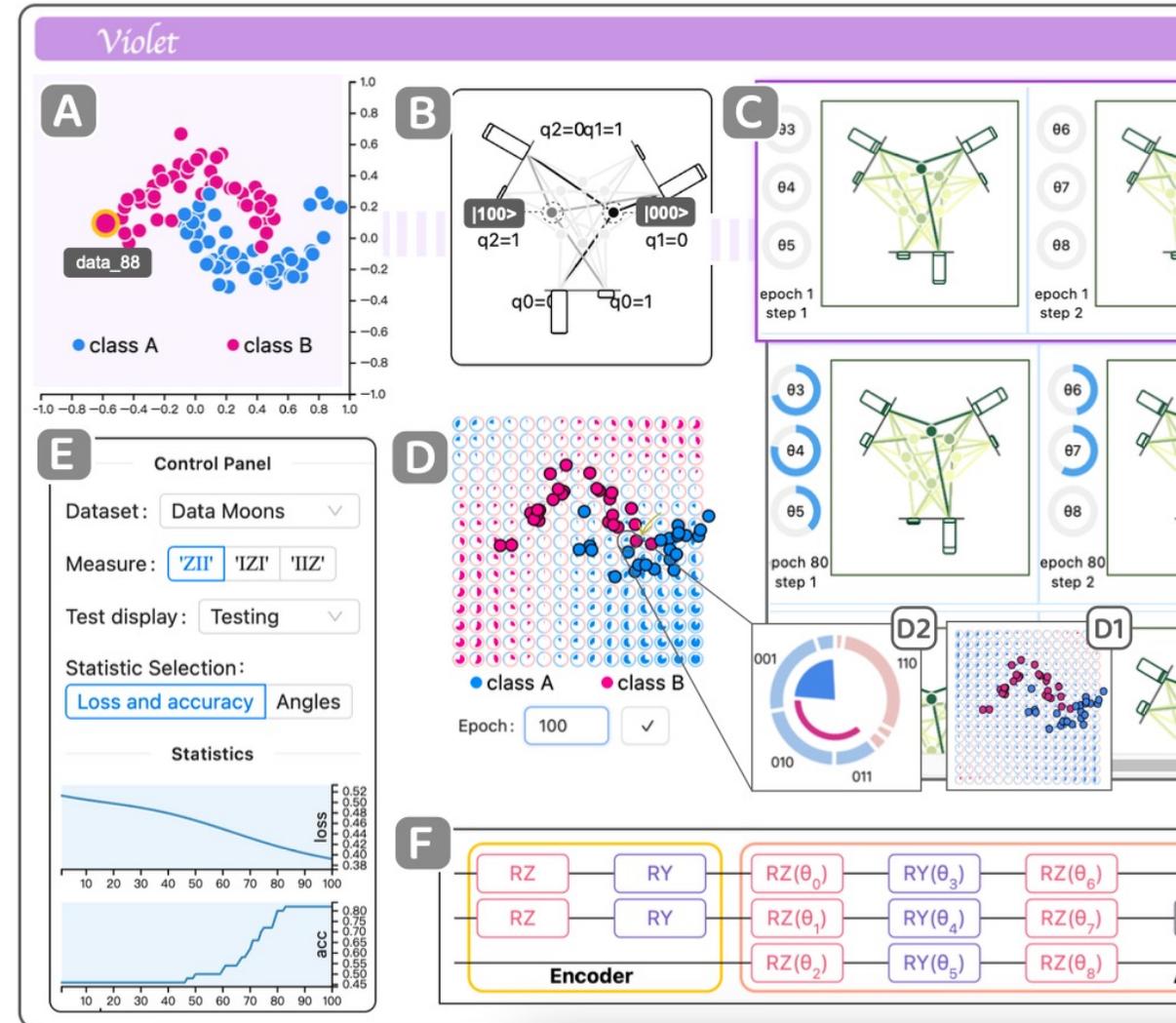
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## What's new?

The first VA system to visualize quantum neural network

## So what?

The three components of QNN can be clearly illustrated and understood with ease



## VACSEN: A Visualization Approach for Noise Awareness in Quantum Computing



## VENUS: A Geometrical Representation for Quantum State Visualization

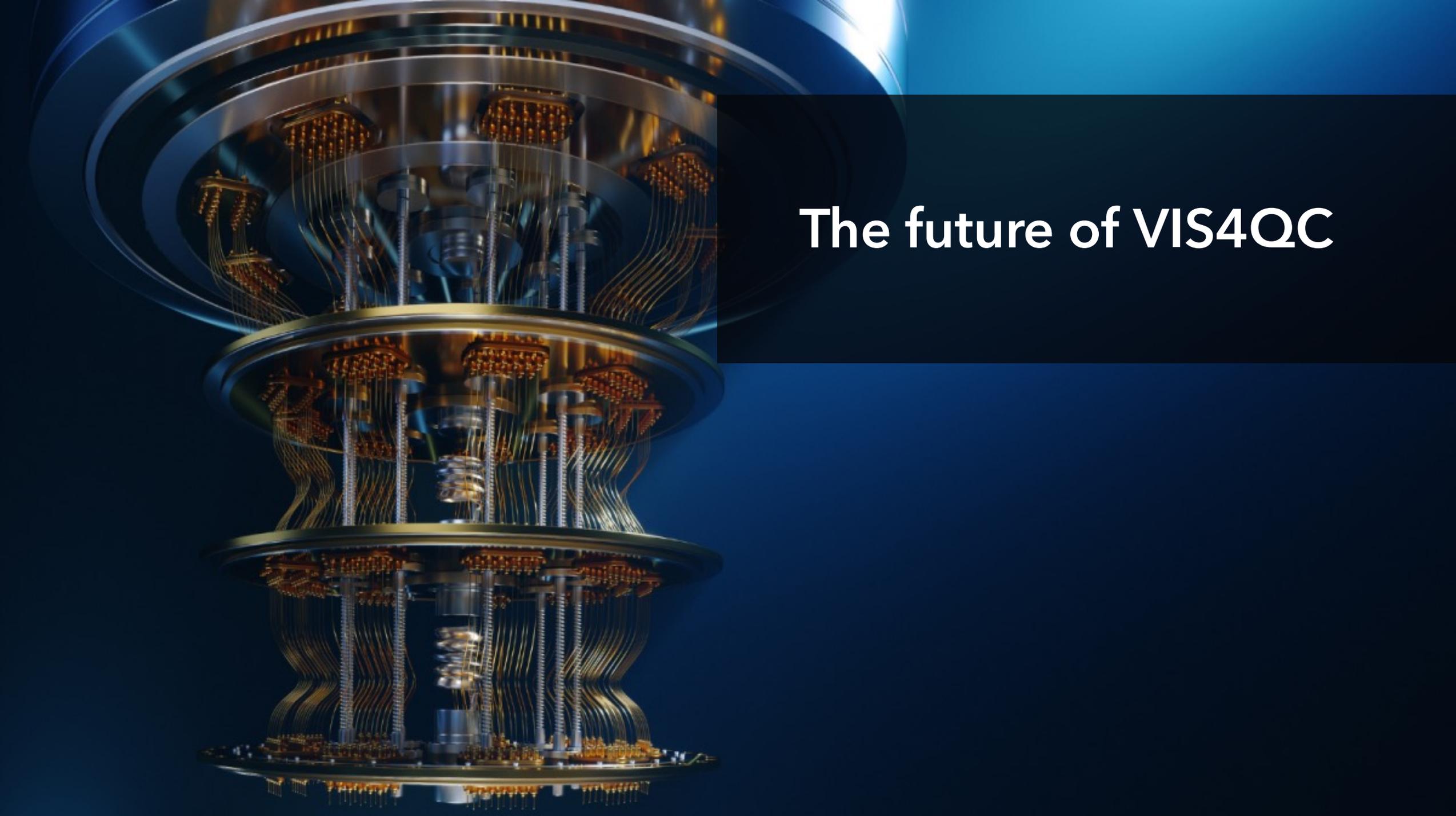


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## VIOLET: Visual Analytics for Explainable Quantum Neural Networks



The image depicts a complex, multi-tiered quantum computing structure. It features several horizontal layers of circular platforms, each densely packed with golden-colored components and intricate wiring. The structure is illuminated with a cool blue light, creating a futuristic and high-tech atmosphere. The overall design suggests a sophisticated and advanced technological system.

# The future of VIS4QC

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### Editor's Comments:

Associate Editor

Comments to the Author:

This paper is a VIS resubmission, and consequently the reviewers of the original submission were invited to referee the manuscript. Two reviewers accept as is, while two argue for minor revisions.

The reviewers commend the authors on the rigorous effort put into addressing the previous comments, and on the excellent response to the reviews. This is a strong contribution in an under-explored application area, hence I recommend Acceptance; congratulations!

All reviewers point out fairly minor issues with copy-editing, formatting that should be corrected for a final version of the paper. However, in while these corrections serve to improve the paper, they do not require a review cycle (even a minor one). Hence, I strongly encourage the authors to consult the reviews and address these comments for a final submission.

Acceptable

### The Summary Review (Due by May 14)

All reviewers confirm that this is a good paper. The scores from reviewers are very positive. We are happy to see such a good work in the conference.

The authors should carefully read the reviews and incorporate the reviewers' comments into their revision.

#### Strengths:

- + Quantum computing is a new application area.
- + The work would be a good example of that.

accepted.

The work is highly relevant to the VIS community as it deals with a challenging application for which visual representations and analysis hold promise to assist both in fundamental understanding of quantum gates and circuit functionality as well as development of algorithms.

My only concern is that the presented visual representations do not scale well to more complex problems and the authors are thus encouraged to continue the work on higher level of abstractions to assist algorithm development in the future. I am very happy to see that visualization enters into the era of quantum computing and this paper is a good example of that.

A minor comment is that I would ask the authors to change the font in the video. White on white is hard to read.

#### Additional Questions:

1. Which category describes this manuscript?: Application

# Blue Ocean of VIS4QC

- Application-based
  - Quantum finance, quantum chemistry, etc.
  - Q-CNN, Q-GAN, Q-RNN, etc.
- User interaction enhancement
  - Document enhancement of online tutorial
  - Transfer non-intuitive QASM code to graphical representation
- Explanability
  - Quantum-specific angles like barren plateau, expressibility of QNN
  - Traditional-inspired ideas like education purpose, what-if analysis, etc. approaches for QNN
- Speedup for traditional visualization
  - Graph drawing
  - Visualization recommendation
  - Others...



# Be part of VIS4QC!

In 2016, visual analytics step into the era of deep learning.  
Let's embrace the next generation of visualization community!

**Thank you for your attention!**

