

Quantum Computing e Quantum Technologies nel PNRR

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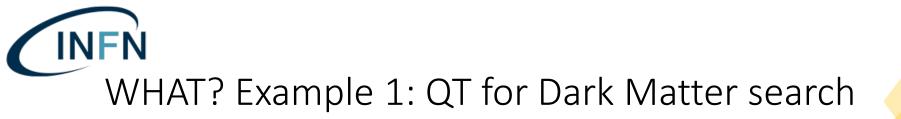
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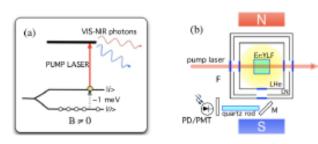
- QC/QT have not been core business of INFN **until relatively recently**: things have changed in the last few years.
- The long-term goal (WHAT?):
 - Adopt all technologies that can allow better research in fundamental physics (e.g., detect very low energy quantum states).
 - Use Quantum computers/simulators, when available (reliable), to support our research (from Lattice QCD, to event classification in LHC, to Life Science applications).
 - Contribute to QC/QT with HEP-derived knowledge, know-how, technology (theory, SC resonant cavities , mK cryogenics,...).
- HOW?

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- Team with other players (in Italy and elsewhere), sharing scientific interests and/or technology options.
- Develop a sound know-how and an expert workforce.



- Learn to detect single quantum modes at the meV energy scale:
 - Pump it up in energy to the visible (or, at least, the IR) energy scale
 - The QC view: translate microwave q-bits into optical q-bits
 - The Particle Physics view: search for axions



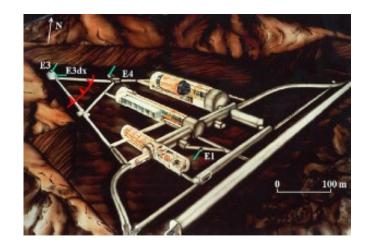
AXION DETECTION WITH ATOMIC TRANSITIONS

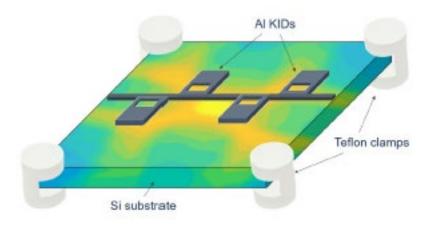


- axion-induced transitions take place between Zeeman-split ground state levels in rare-earth doped materials
- transitions involve electrons in the 4f shell (as if they were free atoms...)
- a tunable laser pumps the excited atoms to a fluorescent level
- crystal immersed in LHe and superfluid He

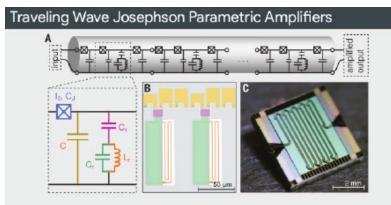
WHAT? Example 2: HEP technology helping QC/QT

- Learn to measure and mitigate disturbances to QC devices from "environmental factors":
 - Result from (superconducting) detector developments for astroparticle physics
 - Used to measure fundamental properties of superconducting devices and of qbits
 - Aiming at making LNGS an established center for the characterization of Quantum devices/systems



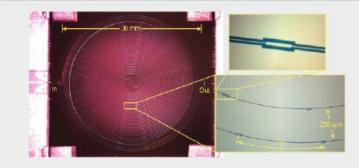


WHAT? Example 3: Mastering key-enabling technologies



- TWJPA implemented as a nonlinear lumped-element transmission line;
- One unit cell consists of a Josephson junction and a capacitive shunt to ground;
- Already demonstrated quantum-limited noise read out;
- High bandwidth: over a 4 GHz centred at 5 GHz;
- Limited gain: < 20 dB
- Small dynamic range: < -90 dBm

Dispersion-engineered Traveling Wave Kinetic Inductance

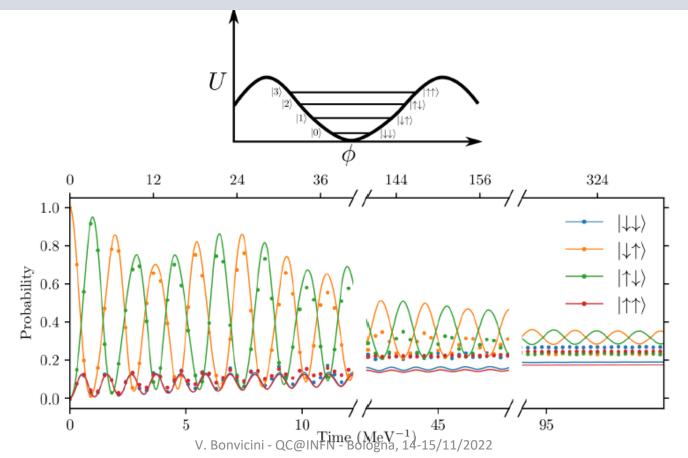


- DTWKI exploits the Nonlinear kinetic inductance of TiN and NbTiN superconducting film;
- Phase matching by Coplanar Waveguide (CPW) or lumped-element artificial transmission line;
- Noise near to quantum-limited
- High bandwidth: over a 4 GHz centred at 5 GHz;
- Limited gain: < 20 dB, and gain profile with large ripple
- High dynamic range: from -50 to -45 dBm



Transmons for Nuclear Physics

Use a (4-level) transmon to simulate the spin dependent nucleon-nucleon potential (E.T. Holland, F. Pederiva et al., Phys. Rev. A 101, 062307, June 2020)





Example 5: the DOE-SQMS Center (Superconducting Materials and Science)

- Financed by the U.S. DOE with 115 M\$ (U.S. National Quantum Initiative), Director A. Grassellino, 5-year project
- INFN only European member of the Center (about 1.5 M\$)

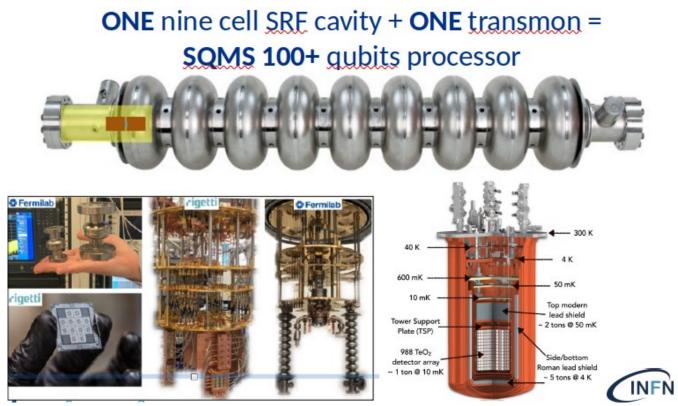
With the **Superconducting Quantum Materials and Systems** Center (SQMS), we bring the power of DOE laboratories, together with industry, academia and other federal entities, to "achieve transformational advances in the **major cross-cutting challenge** of understanding and eliminating the decoherence mechanisms in superconducting 2D and 3D devices, with the final goal of enabling construction and deployment of superior quantum systems for **computing and sensing**."





INFN within SQMS

- A Theory + Technology challenge, driven by HEP accelerator technology
- INFN units involved: LNF, LNGS, LNL, GGI, Padua, Florence, Ferrara, Rome, Trieste, Milan-Bicocca



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QC/QT and PNRR

- Spoke dedicated to Quantum Computing within the National Centre for High Performance Computing (PNRR funding)
 - INFN leader of WP1 (Software): Development and application of high-level quantum software for algorithms solving general purpose problems, scientific and industrial applications
 - INFN actively involved in WP3 (Firmware and hardware platforms): Development and support of the quantum computer hardware chain.
- INFN involved in the National Quantum Science and Technology Institute (NQSTI) (Extended Partnerships, PNRR funding), recently admitted to Phase 2
 - Focus on low-TRL R&D in the field of QST, for innovative applications in sensing, safe communication, processing of quantum information; development of concepts, new materials and devices (photonic, solid state and cold).



650 Centro Nazionale HPC, Big Data e Quantum Computing

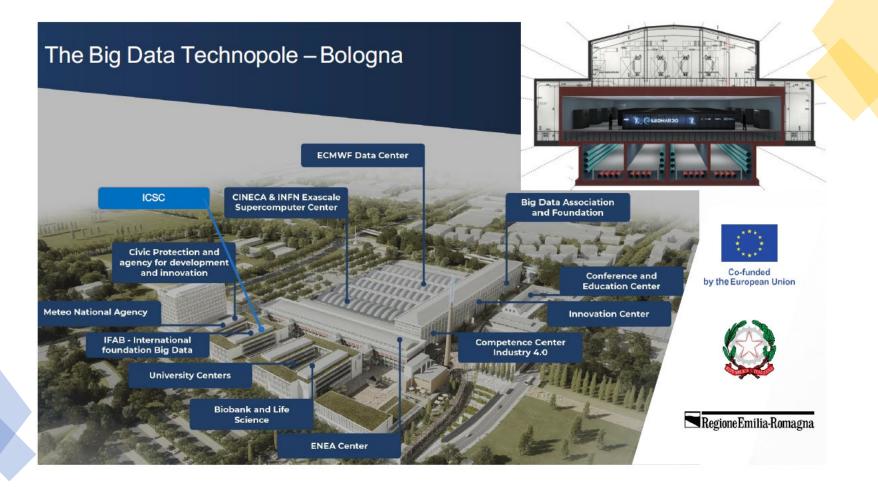


ICSC aims and objectives

- Create the national digital infrastructure for research and innovation, starting from the existing HPC, HTC and Big Data infrastructures ...
- ... evolving towards a cloud datalake model accessible by the scientific and industrial communities through flexible and uniform cloud web interfaces, relying on a high-level support team ...
- ...form a globally attractive ecosystem based on strategic public-private partnerships to fully exploit top level digital infrastructure for scientific and technical computing and promote the development of new computing technologies
- ICSC Founding members: a public private partnership

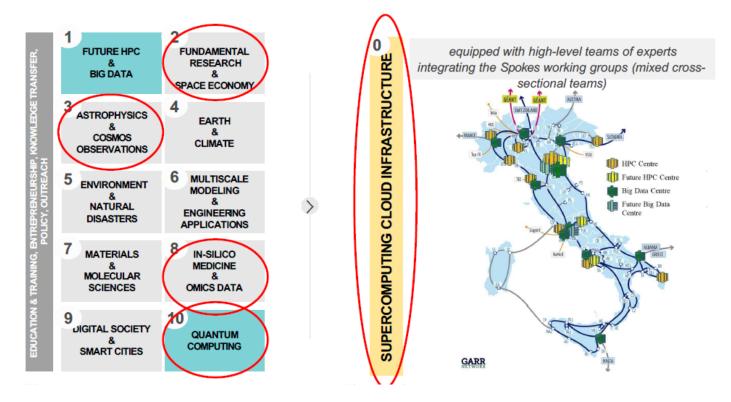








• The ICSC will include *ten thematic spokes* and *one Infrastructure spoke*





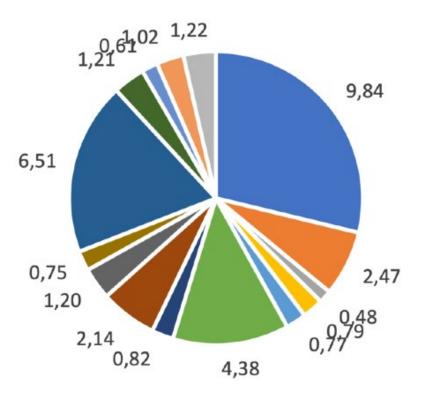
Quantum Computing



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- UNIBO
- UNICT
- CNR
- INAF
- INFN
- UNIPV
- UNIPI
- UNINA
- SAPIENZA
- IIT
- UNIBA
- UNIMIB



Spoke 10 overall budget: ~ 34 M€ INFN budget: ~ 2.14 M€

Quantum Computing (Spoke 10) within the National Centre for High Performance Computing

Quantum Computing		
WP1. Software (Leader: INFN)	WP2. Mapping, compilation,and QC emulation (Leader: CINECA)	WP3. Firmware and Hardware platforms (Leaders: CNR, UniCT)
Development and application of high- level quantum software for algorithms solving general purpose problems, scientific and industrial applications.	Development of software for compilation, benchmarking, verification emulation of quantum computers and algorithms.	Development of low-level software for the physical operation of quantum computers. Development of the quantum computer hardware chain in its four most promising forms:ions, atoms, photons and superconductors.
T1.1 New Algorithms T1.2 Applications and use cases	T2.1 Mapping and compilation T2.2 Emulation	T3.1 Photonics T3.2 SC circuits T3.3 Atoms T3.4 lons



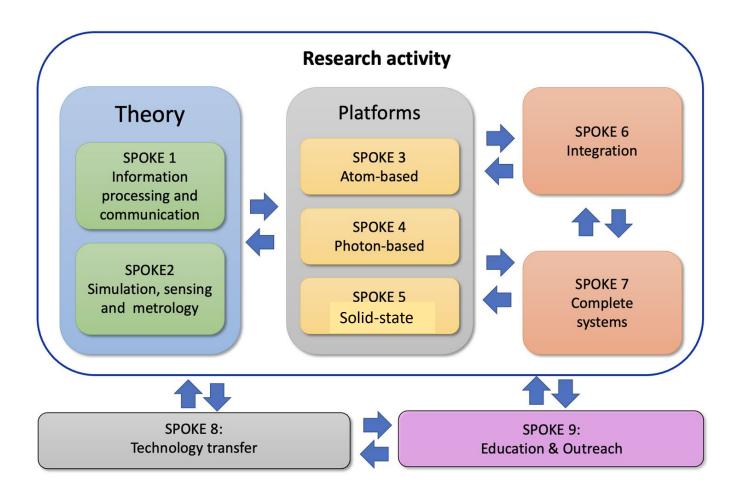
- Focus "sulla ricerca a basso TRL nel campo delle scienze, delle tecnologie quantistiche per applicazioni radicalmente innovative nel sensing, nella comunicazione sicura e nell'elaborazione della informazione quantistica e nella simulazione. A questi saranno affiancati i necessari sviluppi di concetti, materiali innovativi (anche allo scopo di ridurre l'impatto ambientale) e dispositivi di frontiera, da quelli fotonici a quelli a stato solido"
- Due proposte presentate al MUR per il PE4: selezionata quella denominata National Quantum Science and Technology Institute (NQSTI), comprendente (come Universita'/Enti vigilati MUR):
 - Universita' di Camerino (Presentatore del Progetto)
 - Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche (CNR)
 - Istituto Nazionale di Fisica Nucleare (INFN)
 - Universita' di Bari
 - Universita' di Catania
 - Universita' di Firenze
 - Universita' di Milano Bicocca
 - Universita' di Napoli
 - Universita' di Parma
 - Universita' di Pavia
 - Universita' di Roma Sapienza
 - Universita' di Trieste

Inoltre: 6 partners non vigilati MUR (FBK, ICTP, SISSA, IIT, S.S. Sant'Anna, SNS) e 2 partner industriali in cofinanziamento (THALES ALENIA SPACE, LEONARDO)



- The mid-term objective (beyond the conclusion of the PNRR) is to create a consortiumlike national Centre dedicate to QST.
- Struttura Hub-and-Spoke structure. 9 line di ricerca (in blu quelle nelle quali l'INFN e' direttamente coinvolto):
 - 1. Foundations and architectures for innovation in quantum information processing and communication.
 - 2. Foundations and architectures for quantum sensing, metrology, novel materials, and sustainability
 - 3. Atomic and molecular platforms for quantum technologies
 - 4. Photonic platform for quantum technologies
 - 5. Solid state platform for quantum technologies
 - 6. Integration of platforms
 - 7. Complete systems
 - 8. Technology Transfer
 - 9. Education & Outreach
- Budget complessivo ~ 115 M€
- Budget INFN ~ 11 M€

National Quantum Science and Technology Institute



National Quantum Science and Technology

INFN activities

- Spoke 3 (Atomic and molecular platform)
 - Development of novel atomic/molecular systems to extend coherence time
 - Novel atom interferometry beyond the classical regime
 - Enhancing State Detection
- Spoke 4 (Photonic platform)
 - Development of semiconductor platforms for single photon sources
 - Development of single photon sources based on color centers in 2D and topological materials targeting integrated photonics
 - Design and development of integrated optical components to allow for single photon manipulation
 - Implementation of silicon photonics integrated circuits for quantum communication and quantum simulators
 - Full integration of silicon nitride photonics with silicon electronics

• Spoke 6 (Integration)

- Integrated quantum photonic devices
- Superconducting quantum gates
- Coherent control and interfacing
- Inter-platform functional elements



Conclusions

- The PNRR is a great opportunity to foster and consolidate the quantum-related research in areas of interest for INFN
- The INFN participation to ICSC (Spoke10) and NQSTI was inspired to criteria of complementarity
- It is necessary to have a long term-strategy well beyond the end of the PNRR
 - Focus and invest on the QC/QT activities: a) that are relevant for the INFN core mission, and b) in which we can contribute significantly
 - Create and expand the necessary national and international collaborations

Some of the current collaborations:

- Agreement with Amazon ⇒ experimental access to real machines
- Agreement with CERN \Rightarrow access to IBM-Q
- Agreement with CINECA for access to D-WAVE (quantum annealers), PasQal (quantum simulators) and AQT (general purpose QC, trapped ions)
- Agreement with TII (Abu-Dhabi) ⇒ Support of Ph.D. training
- Supporting the WCRI Quantum Project at University of Padua (trapped-ions quantum machine)
- Agreement with the Q@TN Consortium to share facilities and know-how, and foster collaborations
- Strengthening existing collaborations with CNR, INRIM