

# QPack: An application -oriented benchmark for NISQ computers

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# About



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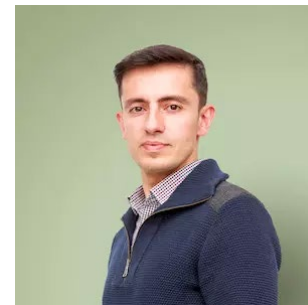


# About



## Vision

QPUs as special-purpose hardware accelerators in future high-performance computing systems



## Research

NISQ & FTQ algorithms, high-level quantum programming SDKs, quantum benchmarks



# QPack benchmark

## Motivation

Variety of quantum benchmarks but lack of an accepted standard, e.g., "QLINPACK"

## Goal

Unbiased, vendor- and qubit-technology neutral benchmark for NISQ computers

## Design criteria

- Hardware agnostic implementation (write-once-run-anywhere)
- Variety of application-oriented scalable test cases
- Multiple metrics – single score



# LibKet

application developer

one-API high-level quantum programming SDKs for C, C++, and Python

algorithm developer

building block layer: quantum primitives, NISQ algorithms

"we"

abstraction layer: filters, gates, and device-specific features

embedded Python engine

C++ engine

Atos QLM

Cirq

IBM-Q

IonQ

Rigetti

YOURS?

OpenQL

QuEST

QX

YOURS?



# LibKet – by example

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Create generic quantum expression

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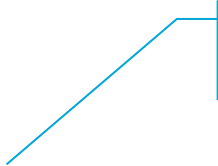
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Create 6-qubit device on  
the 26-qubit QI simulator  
and upload the expression



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Evaluate quantum expression with 1024 shots

# LibKet – by example

## Views

```
auto expr = all(qft(sel<0,3,4,6>(…)));
```

## Switch to another device

```
QDevice<QDeviceType::ibmq_seattle, 433> qpu;
```

## Non-blocking execution

```
auto job = qpu.execute_async(1024);  
while (!job->query()) {  
    // do something else  
}  
auto result = job->get();
```

## Manual coding

```
Qprogram prog;  
  
prog.rx      ( 3.141, {0,1,2} );  
prog.h      ( {0,1,2} );  
prog.h      ( 3 );  
prog.rx      ( 3.141, {3,4,5} );  
prog.cnot    ( {3,4,5}, {6,7,8} );  
prog.measure ( {0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8} );  
  
qpu(prog.to_string());
```

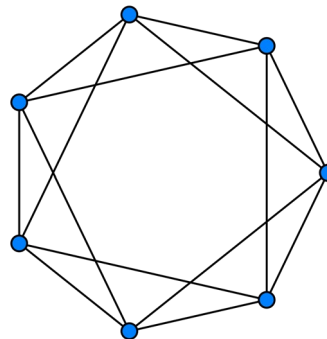
## Advanced features

- CUDA-like streams
- JIT-compilation of quantum expressions
- Rule-based optimization

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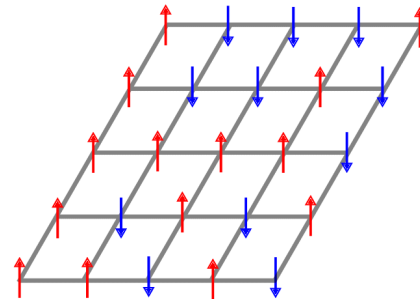
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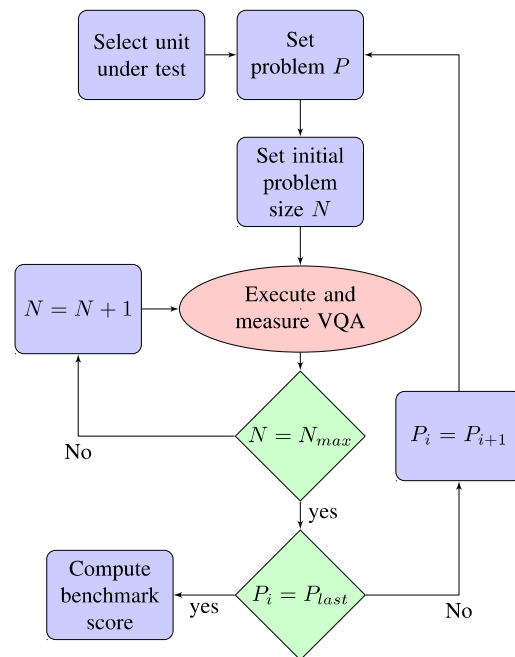
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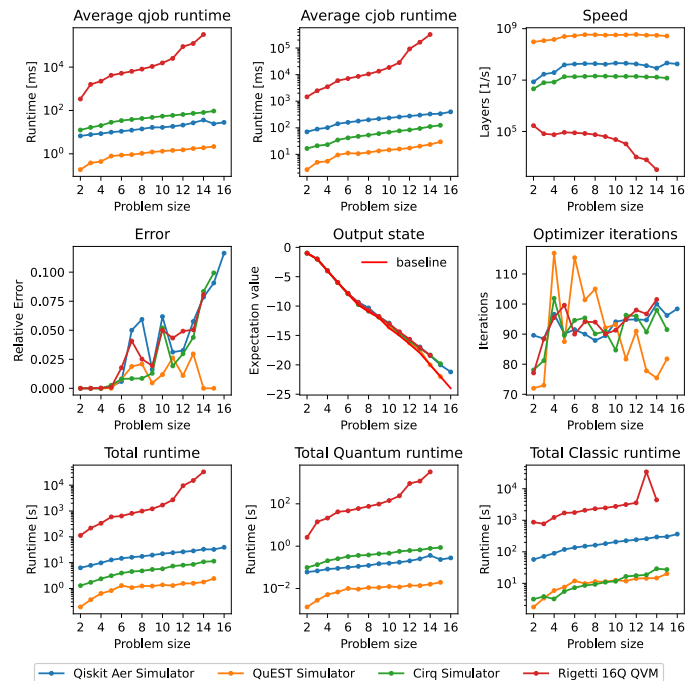
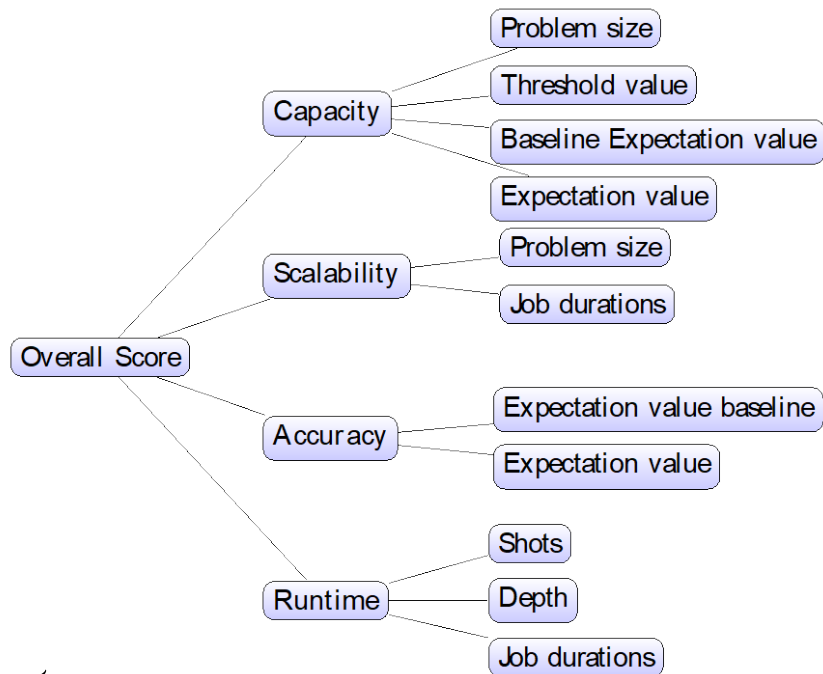
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## Capacity

- maximal number of qubits for which QPU achieves prescribed relative error relative to QuEST simulator

## Scalability

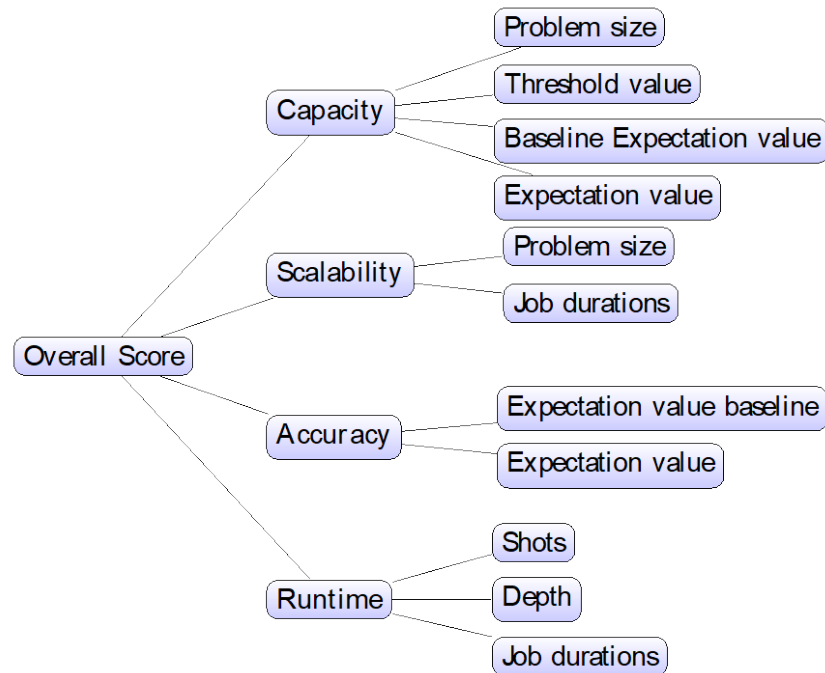
- power law fitting  $T_q = (\text{problem size})^\alpha$

## Accuracy

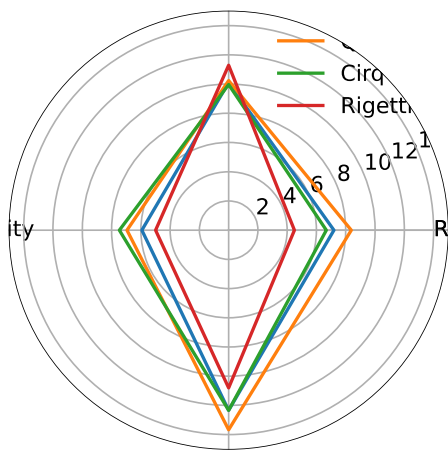
- average relative error between expectation value of ideal simulator (QuEST) and QPU under testing

## Runtime

- average #gates per second over all problem sizes

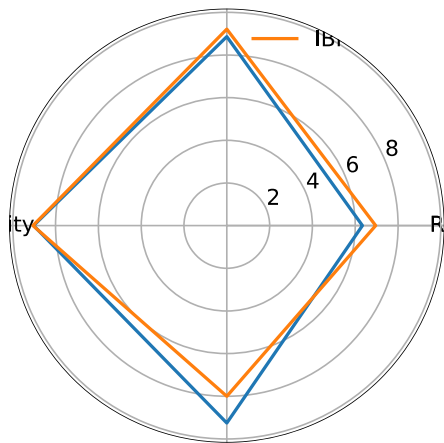


# QPack: single score



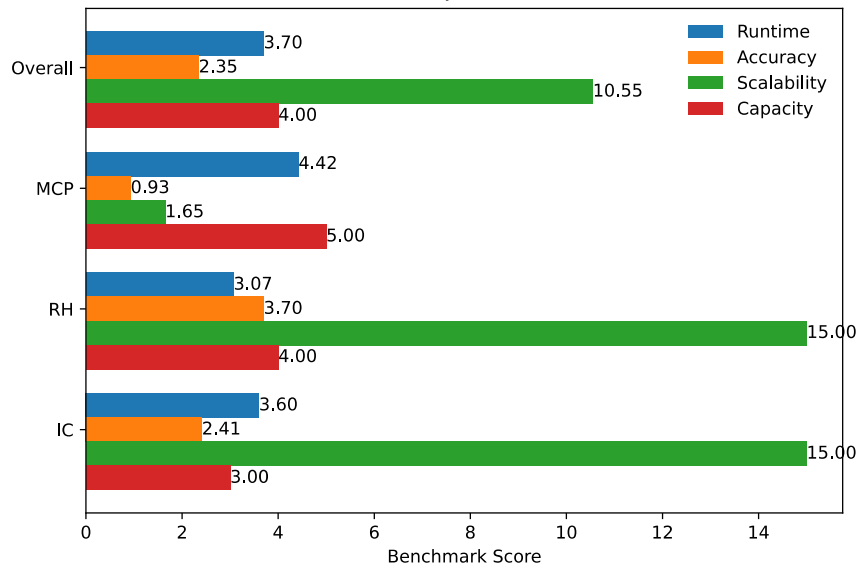
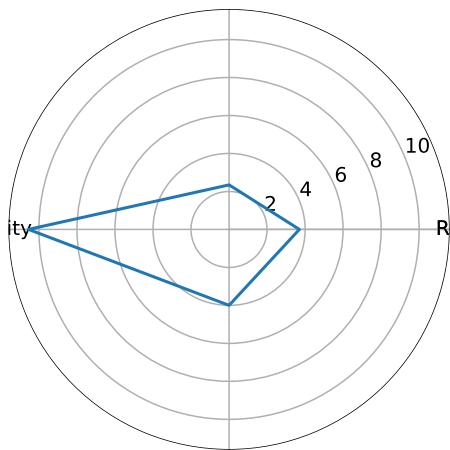
$$S = \frac{1}{2}(S_{\text{runtime}} + S_{\text{scalability}})(S_{\text{accuracy}} + S_{\text{capacity}})$$

# QPack: preliminary result on remote simulators



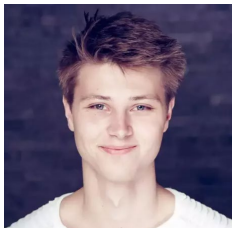
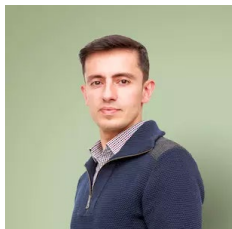


# QPack: preliminary result on hardware QPU



# Summary and outlook

- QPack is an application-oriented scalable benchmark for NISQ computers
- Extension of test suite and benchmarking of other QPUs is ongoing (support & access is welcome!)



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