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Democratizing Quantum Progress: Benchmarks, Datasets, and Challenges

## What is Aqora Today?

Agora today provides a **quantum community platform** centered around quantum **challenges**, engaging a community of global **quantum experts** to generate, innovate, and bring forth high quality solutions.

1500+

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QUANTUM EXPERTS
REGISTERED

QUANTUM COMPETITIONS HOSTED QUANTUM SOLUTIONS
SUBMITTED









# The Quantum Benchmark Landscape Is Fragmented

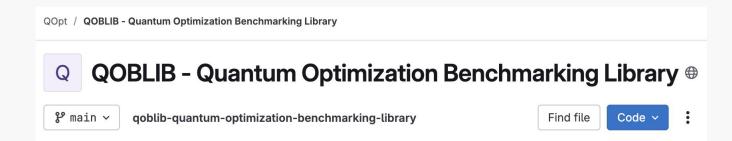
## X Fragmented Access & Evaluation

- Benchmark code scattered across GitHub, institutional repositories, PDFs
- Little to no standardization across datasets or performance metrics
- Tooling for tracking and comparing results is mostly improvised

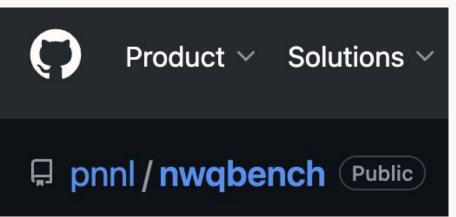
### A No Central Infrastructure

- Benchmarks are often one-off efforts—hard to build upon
- Evaluation pipelines vary by group, stack, or SDK
- Many efforts lack visibility or adoption beyond their initial paper











# What's Missing in Quantum Benchmarking Today?

Need	Status	Today's Reality
Central repository of quantum benchmarks		Some curated lists exist, but they stop at definitions, not execution or validation
Standardized datasets for fair comparisons	×	Often live in private repos or supplement PDFs, rarely reused
Transparent, verifiable leaderboards	×	No consistent way to compare algorithm performance over time
Runtime-tested submissions (sim & QPU)	×	Benchmarks rarely come with executable environments or result validation
Incentivized contribution framework	×	No feedback loops or visibility for contributors outside narrow circles
Collaborative platform across roles (industry, academia, startups)		Limited to hackathons or project-specific alliances—no persistent home

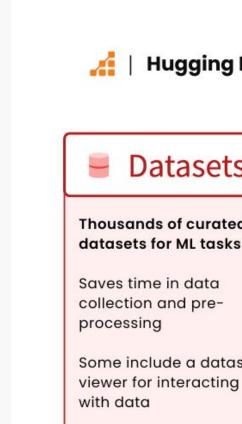


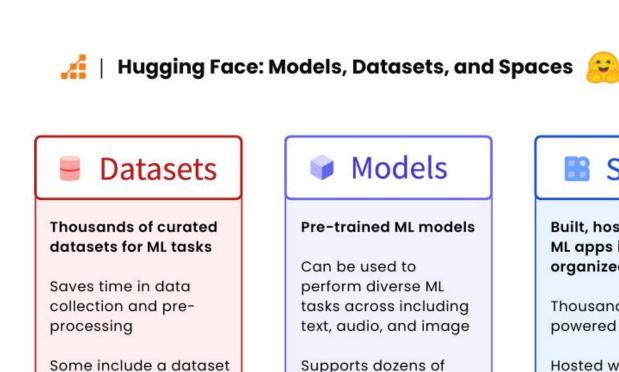


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## Aqora's Vision: One Unified Platform for **Quantum Progress**

- Share and discover benchmark datasets, solutions, and results
- Reuse building blocks across the quantum software stack
- Submit to challenges and compare via transparent leaderboards
- Integrate with real hardware and simulators for fair evaluation
- Foster a collaborative, reproducible, and competitive ecosystem





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Transformers



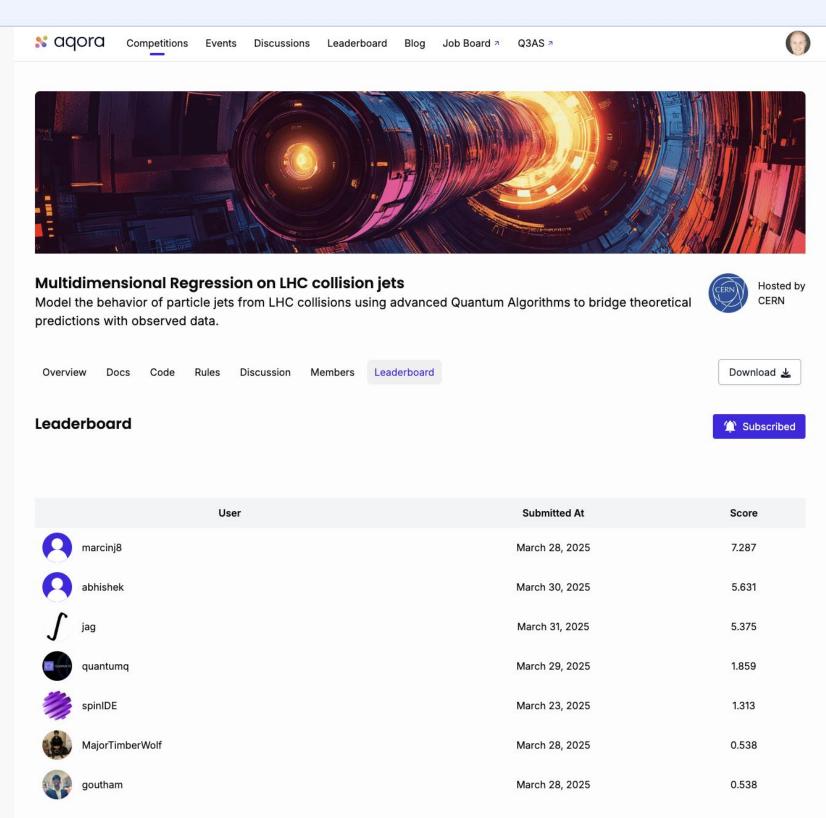


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# How It Works – Aqora's Current Quantum Challenge Community Infrastructure

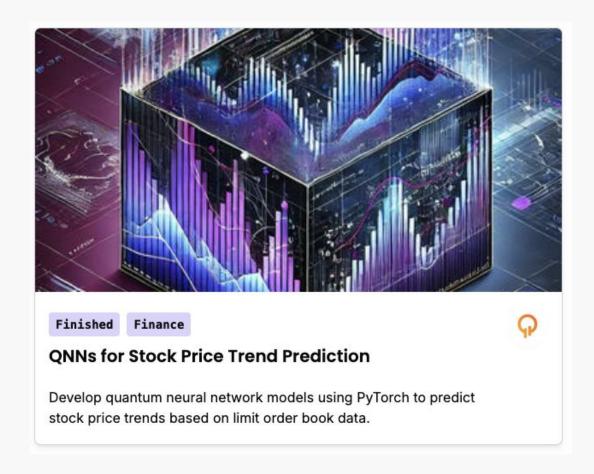
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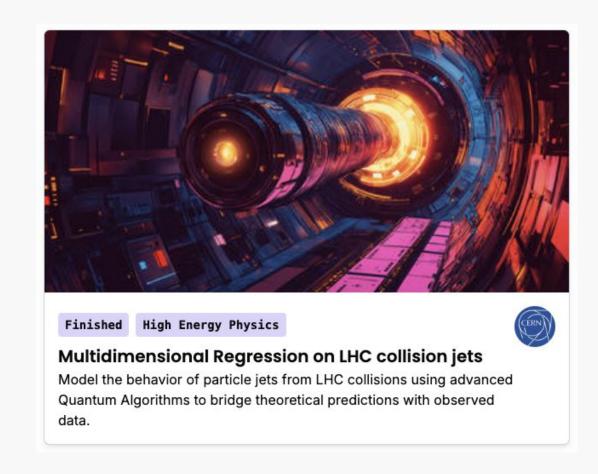
- Notebook templates for structured submissions
- CLI tools for local testing and environment setup
- Automated evaluation against defined metrics
- Version-controlled submissions, including code and results for verification
- Everything is transparent, timestamped, and leaderboard-tracked.



## Example Use Case Challenges on Aqora: Real-Life Applications of Quantum Solutions







- engaging a global audience
- improving over existing results
- ongoing innovation cycle

## Challenge

- = Benchmark + Timeline + Prices
- = Dataset(s) + Metric(s)

# Why Benchmarks Matter: From IMAGNET to Nobel Prize in Chemistry in Al

## ImageNet (2009–2012)

- → Public leaderboard + dataset sparked the deep learning boom (e.g., AlexNet)
- → Benchmarks created a flywheel of iteration and innovation

## CASP → AlphaFold → Nobel-level impact

- → Decades-long protein folding benchmark (CASP)
- → DeepMind used it to train & validate AlphaFold
- → Enabled breakthroughs recognized by the 2024 Chemistry Nobel Prize

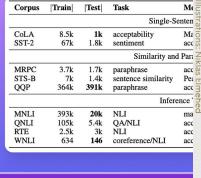
## Quantum is still pre-ImageNet

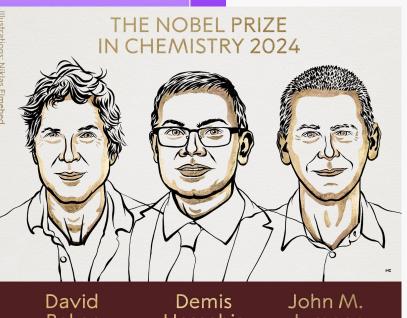
- → First shared tasks, first standard datasets, little reproducibility
- → Progress is hard to measure, talent hard to surface





### **GLUE Tasks**





## Agora: One Community Platform for all Stakeholders

### Researchers

Standardized datasets, reproducible leaderboards, and runtime integrations (soon) to benchmark quantum algorithms across SDKs and hardware.

### Industry & Hardware Vendors

Trusted benchmarks to evaluate algorithms, vendors, and internal progress grounded in real datasets.



## Students & Talent

Real-world challenges to build reputation, earn badges, and get noticed. Kaggle-style for quantum.



### SDK & Tool Developers

Expose tools to users, compare performance transparently, and integrate into real-world workflows.

## We are Here to Support Your Benchmarking Efforts

### Share Your Datasets

Make your data reusable with versioning, metadata, and built-in previews.

→ Turn your research into a benchmark others can build on.

## Co-Define Benchmarks

Help shape transparent, domain-specific benchmark standards.

→ From siloed efforts to shared evaluation protocols.

## **Share Your Needs**

Tell us what infrastructure or support would help your benchmarking workflow.

→ We're building the tooling so you don't have to.

## **Automate Evaluations**

Run comparisons at scale—on simulators or real hardware—with minimal setup.

→ No more hacked-together scripts and PDFs.

# Let's Build the Quantum Benchmarking Layer Together

## **What Aqora offers**

- Host your benchmarks and datasets
- Built-in leaderboards and runtime validation
- Transparent, reproducible evaluation tools

### **℅ Join us**

- Researchers: Turn your work into reusable benchmarks
- Labs & toolmakers: Compare results across SDKs & hardware
- Industry: Evaluate hardware, SDKs, and algorithms on your use case

Let's do for quantum what Kaggle and Hugging Face did for Al.

Think: kaggle&



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## Thank You jannes@aqora.io



