Independent, systematic, reproducible and open-source quantum benchmarking with metriq-gym



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Creating a quantum technology ecosystem faster, better, and to benefit everyone.

Open Source Software Needs Institutional Support





"\$5Bn in contributed development costs"





>56M wiki pages, 309 languages





Open-access archive for >2M scholarly articles

We do three main things



Microgrants

→ We run a microgrant program to fund explorers across the world to work on quantum technologies. 100+ teams across 31 countries.

Research

→ We do our own research to help the ecosystem as a whole. For example, we are developing (1) mitiq (250k+ downloads; 120+ citations), an open source compiler for error-mitigated quantum programming, (2) ucc, a cross-platform compiler and (3) metriq, an open community platform for sharing quantum tech benchmarks.

Community

→ We host an open source quantum tech community (4k+ open quantum tech developers) that runs hackathons, community surveys and events.

The **Team**

Unitary Foundation

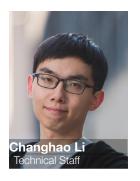


























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- → Will Zeng

UF Community

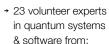
Advisory board



















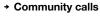


Discord community

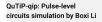
- → 3.700+ active members
- → Office hours



















Collaborators



















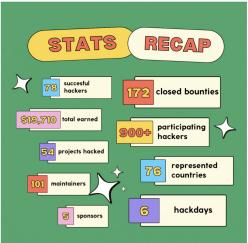




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Events: Online and IRL







github.com/unitaryfoundation/quantum-wednesday

WERQSHOP

Workshop on Error Resilience in Quantum computing

📆 July 17-18, 2025 | 📍 New York University, NYC 🗽



Sep 2-4, Albuquerque, NM, USA @IEEE Quantum Week

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Open Source Quantum Software

Mitiq

Unitary Compiler Collection (ucc)



pip install mitiq

- Quantum Error Mitigation Toolkit
- 250k downloads, 80+ contributors
- Several mitigation techniques
- Fully compatible with front/backends
- Composable techniques



- Best-in-Class Compilation
- No Code Changes to Switch Between Frontends
- Compatible with Any Backend Supporting OpenQASM



https://unitary.foundation/blog/

EU QLASS Project: Photonics Compilation

Building quantum compilers to run quantum chemistry simulations on photonic quantum processors.





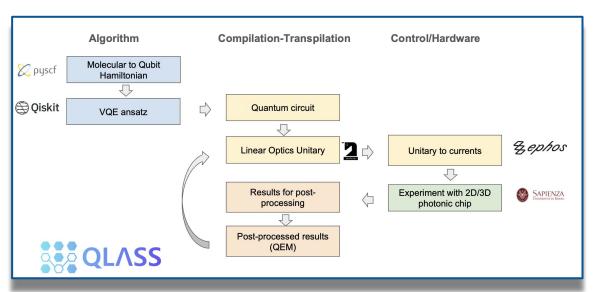












- UF leads the software & theory efforts
- Designed end-to-end compilation architecture of Lithium battery problem on photonic chip (simulated)
- Simulating 2D device and QLASS 3D devices
- UF Code Open Sourced at <u>qithub.com/unitaryfund/glass</u>
- Leveraging existing open source infrastructure
- First completed project in unitaryHACK

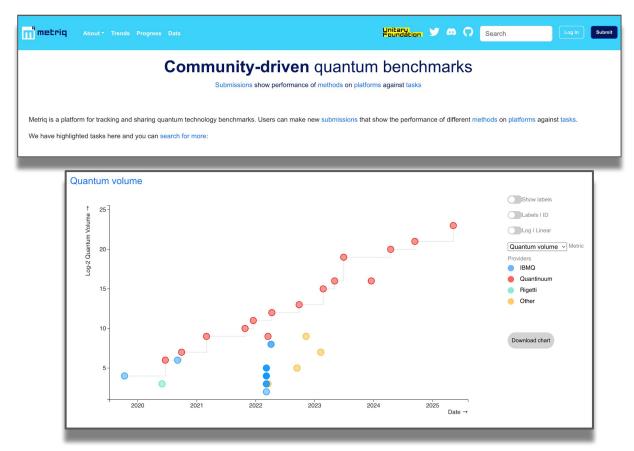
Learn more at https://www.glass-project.eu/

Unitary Labs builds public good quantum technologies:

- Compilation including error mitigation and early FTQC
- Benchmarks

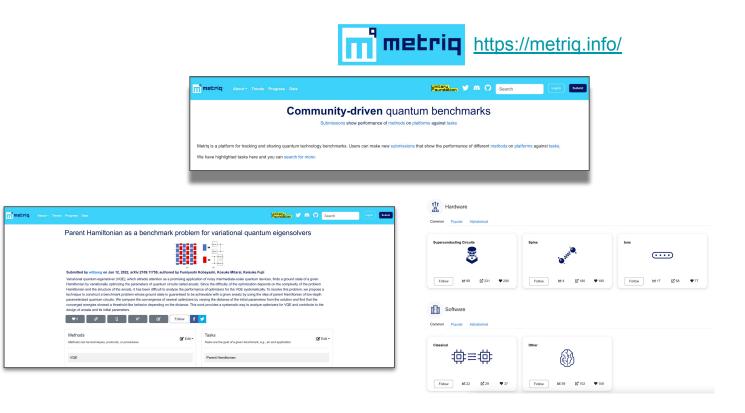
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The Metriq project: Online Platform for Open Benchmarks



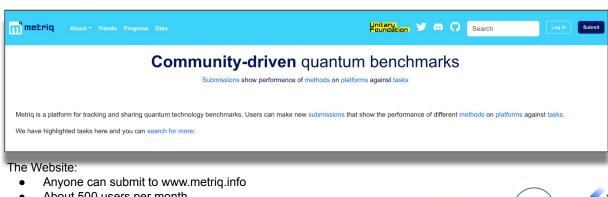
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Metriq.info: Online Platform and Taxonomy for Open Benchmarks



The Metriq project: Online Platform for Open Benchmarks





- About 500 users per month
- Users from 50 different countries.

The Database:

- 1600+ results
- 300 new numerical benchmark results YoY
- 750+ submissions

The Taxonomy:

- 200+ tasks
- 400 methods
- 200 platforms.



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BlueQubit

Partners include: In-Q-Tel Labs. USRA. RIKEN, and IBM.

Anyone can contribute results to Metriq.info

The Metriq project: Online Platform for Open Benchmarks



[Submitted on 21 May 2025]

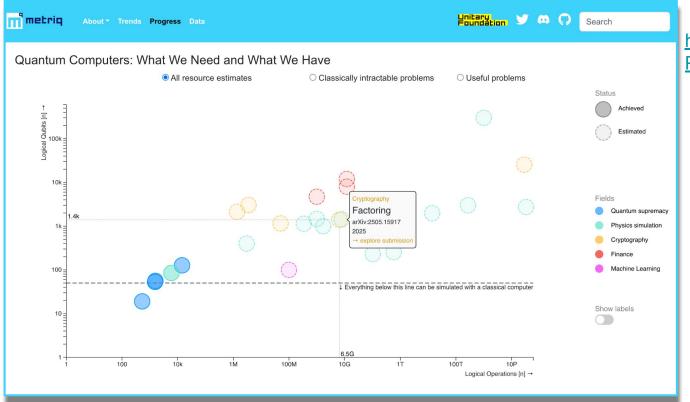
How to factor 2048 bit RSA integers with less than a million noisy qubits

Craig Gidney

Planning the transition to quantum-safe cryptosystems requires understanding the cost of quantum attacks on vulnerable cryptosystems. In Gidney+Ekerå 2019, I copublished an estimate stating that 2048 bit RSA integers could be factored in eight hours by a quantum computer with 20 million noisy qubits. In this paper, I substantially reduce the number of qubits required. I estimate that a 2048 bit RSA integer could be factored in less than a week by a quantum computer with less than a million noisy qubits. I make the same assumptions as in 2019: a square grid of qubits with nearest neighbor connections, a uniform gate error rate of 0.1%, a surface code cycle time of 1 microsecond, and a control system reaction time of 10 microseconds.

The qubit count reduction comes mainly from using approximate residue arithmetic (Chevignard+Fouque+Schrottenloher 2024), from storing idle logical qubits with yoked surface codes (Gidney+Newman+Brooks+Jones 2023), and from allocating less space to magic state distillation by using magic state cultivation (Gidney+Shutty+Jones 2024). The longer runtime is mainly due to performing more Toffoli gates and using fewer magic state factories compared to Gidney+Ekerå 2019. That said, I reduce the Toffoli count by over 100x compared to Chevignard+Fouque+Schrottenloher 2024.

Tracking progress in algorithms and applications with resource estimation



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https://metriq.info/ Progress/

The Open Quantum Benchmarks Committee



Experts from Leibniz Supercomputing Centre; University of Milano-Bicocca; Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory; Pasqal; THALES; NVIDIA; IBM Quantum; University of British Columbia; Oak Ridge National Laboratory; qBraid; European Center for Quantum Sciences; and Amazon Braket.

Established in 2024 by Unitary Foundation

Expert practitioners and researchers (hands-on) Focus areas:

- Hardware
- Compilation
- Simulation
- Applications
- Error correction and mitigation

Goals:

- Provide the field with a comprehensive and reliable framework for evaluating quantum computing systems
- Empower researchers and developers with open-source tools to navigate this landscape
- Advise on Metriq project

Meeting quarterly online, with more frequent discussions in Discord chat channels

Please do reach out if you'd like to join at info@unitary.foundation

The Metriq Gym (beta project)



Python framework for quantum computing benchmarking

- **Open** (open-source since its inception)
- ▼ Transparent (parameters/result easy to review)
- Running seamlessly Cross-platform
- User-friendly (for benchmark devs and final users)

github.com/unitaryfoundation/metriq-gym

Metriq Gym: Inspiring projects and important work

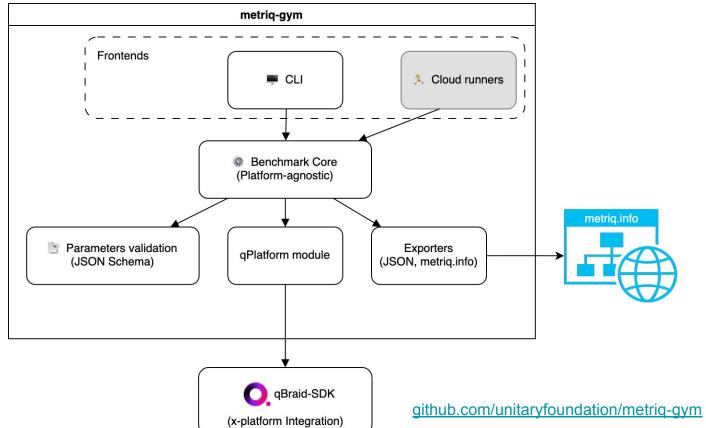
Classical

- LINPACK/HPL
- MLPerf™ Inference

Quantum

- Systemic
 - IQM <u>igm-benchmarks</u>
 - IBM <u>giskit-device-benchmarking</u>
 - Benchpress <u>Qiskit/benchpress</u>
- Applications
 - Benchmarks for Application-Centric Quantum Computing (BACQ)
 - QED-C QC-App-Oriented-Benchmarks
 - QUARK QUARK

Metriq-gym architecture: A tool for independent benchmarks



Metriq-gym: Dispatching a benchmark on a QPU - in one line

\$ mgym dispatch bseq.json -p ibm -d ibm_sherbrooke

```
Actions:
{dispatch, poll, view, upload}

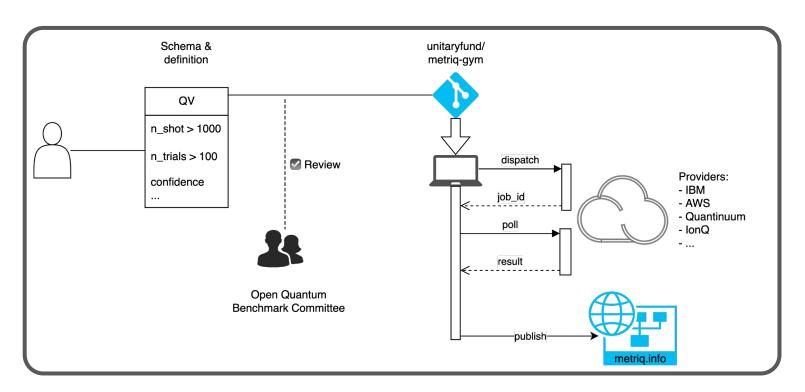
{

"benchmark": "BSEQ",

"num_circuits": 2,

"shots": 1000
}
```

Metriq-gym integration with Metriq.info



Metriq-gym: Current benchmarks

System-level benchmarks

- Quantum Volume
- Circuit Layer Operations Per Second (CLOPS)
- Bell State Effective Qubits (BSEQ)
- Mirror Circuits

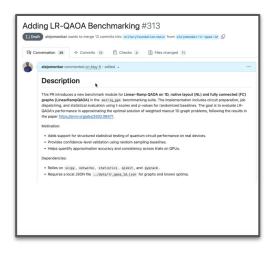
Application-level benchmarks

- QML Kernel
- Wormhole-inspired teleportation
- [WIP] Bernstein Vazirani (BV)
- [WIP] RL-QAOA
- ...
- ... Submit your benchmark by opening a new pull request

Microgrants: Impact & collaboration







https://arxiv.org/abs/2502.06471 J.A. Montanez-Barrera, K. Michielsen, D.E. Bernal Neira 24 QPUs (+5 from paper v1) from 6 vendors (+4 from paper v1) benchmarked in total

Metriq-gym: Early results

Metriq-gym results

Provider ≑	Device ≑	Device Properties \$	BSEQ (Metriq Gym) – largest connected size ≑	BSEQ (Metriq Gym) – connected fraction \$	QML Kernel (Metriq Gym) – Accuracy \$	WIT (Metriq Gym) – p1 ≑
IQM	IQM Garnet	Qubits: 20	20	1	0.068	0.713
Rigetti	Rigetti Ankaa-3	Qubits: 82, Year: 2024	6	0.073	0.037	0.463
IBMQ	ibm-sherbrooke	Qubits: 127	100	0.787	0.121	0.491
IBMQ	ibm-torino	Qubits: 133	71	0.534	0.485	0.843
IBMQ	ibm-marrakesh	Qubits: 156	150	0.962	0.532	0.875
IBMQ	ibmq-fez	Qubits: 156	150	0.962	0.435	0.865

Live at https://metriq.info/

Providers & hardware information online

Provider	Device	Physical System	Qubit number	Analog/Digital	Topology	Native gate set	suit. for QV	suit. for CLOPS	suit. f
IBM	ibm- sherbrooke	Superconducting Qubits (fixed-coupling)	127	Digital	2D lattice	ECR, ID, RZ, SX, X		$\overline{\mathbf{v}}$	V
IBM	ibm- strasbourg	Superconducting Qubits (fixed-coupling)	127	Digital	2D lattice	ECR, ID, RZ, SX, X	V	$\overline{\mathbf{v}}$	V
IBM	ibm- brussels	Superconducting Qubits (fixed-coupling)	127	Digital	2D lattice	ECR, ID, RZ, SX, X		$\overline{\mathbf{v}}$	V
IBM	ibm-kyiv	Superconducting Qubits (fixed-coupling)	127	Digital	2D lattice	ECR, ID, RZ, SX, X			V
IBM	ibm- brisbane	Superconducting Qubits (fixed-coupling)	127	Digital	2D lattice	ECR, ID, RZ, SX, X	V	$\overline{\mathbf{v}}$	V
Rigetti	Ankaa-3	Superconducting Qubits (tunable-coupling)	82	Digital	2D lattice	rx, rz, iswap		×	V
IQM	Garnet	Superconducting Qubits (tunable-coupling)	20	Digital	2D lattice	cz, prx	V	?	V
IonQ	Aria-1	Trapped lons (171Yb+)	25	Digital	fully connected (chain)	gpi, gpi2, ms	V	?	X ²
IonQ	Aria-2	Trapped lons (171Yb+)	25	Digital	fully connected (chain)	gpi, gpi2, ms	abla	?	X ²
IonQ	Forte	Trapped lons (171Yb+)	36	Digital	fully connected (chain)	gpi, gpi2, ms	V	?	X ²
Quantinuum	H1-1	Trapped lons (171Yb+)	20	Digital	fully connected (QCCD)	1Q rotation, zz, SU(4)	~	?	X ²
Quantinuum	H2	Trapped lons (171Yb+)	56	Digital	fully connected (QCCD)	1Q rotation, zz, SU(4)	V	?	X ²
QuEra	Aquila	Neutral atoms (Rb-87)	256	Analog	fully connected	N/A ¹	×	×	×

Adding it to metriq.info

Currently on Github project's wiki unitaryfoundation/metrig-gym/wiki/

Nice to see similar endeavor (price focused) at https://guantumbenchmarkzoo.org/

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QED-C-Metriq-gym software integration, 2025 student internship

Quantum Economic Development Consortium (QED-C): Members represent industry, academia, and government laboratories.







QED-C Technical Advisory Committee (TAC):

- Siyuan Niu
- Tom Lubinski

Metriq:

- Vincent Russo
- Changhao Li
- Alessandro Cosentino
- Nathan Shammah

Neer Patel, PhD student at UCF, Summer Intern

TAC on Standards and Performance Metrics

Prior work

QED-C toolkit - Metriq API initial integration (2023):
 "Automatically running QED-C benchmarks on Metriq" (blog post)

Goals

- Integrating the open-source quantum software tools
- Expanding the scope and complexity of available benchmark programs
- Collecting execution results from currently available quantum computing systems.

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What's next for Metriq



Roadmap

- Refresh the website, metriq.info [open web-dev position]
- Further integrate metriq-gym and metriq.info
- Add new benchmarks to metriq-gym
- Take more cross-platform results
- Engage with benchmarking projects and committees (OQBC, QED-C, BACQ, etc.)
- How you can be involved:
 - Add your benchmark and results to Metriq.info (largest quantum benchmarking dataset to date)
 - Test Metriq Gym to independently take benchmarks on QPUs
 - Propose a new benchmark to be added to Metriq Gym
 - Apply to join the Open Quantum Benchmarking Committee
 - Join the online and in-person events, sign up to our newslettter

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Feel free to reach out:

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Join the community at discord.unitary.foundation →



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Extra Slides

Board of **Directors**





President. Partner at Quantonation. Fmr. Head of Quantum at Goldman Sachs and product/sw lead at Rigetti. Oxford quantum algorithms PhD.

William Zeng, PhD



Secretary. Quantum Applications Architect at IBM Quantum and Policy Hackers Fellow at the Lincoln Network. PhD in quantum computing from the University of New Mexico (2018).

Travis Scholten, PhD



COO & Co-Founder, Convergent Research, which incubates new kinds of transformative research institutions.

Anastasia Gamick



CTO and Head of the Technical Staff. Managing Director, Unitary Fund France. QuTiP admin. PhD in Physics from Univ. of Southampton.

Nathan Shammah, PhD



Treasurer. Co-founder and managing partner at Quantonation. PhD in Quantum Physics from Ecole Polytechnique.

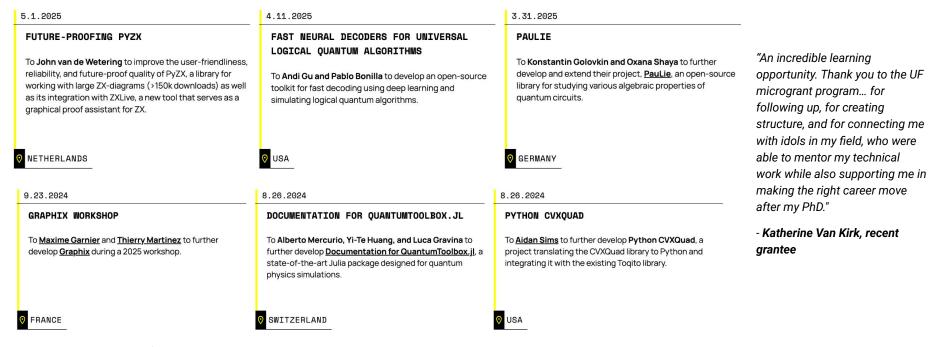
Christophe Jurczak, PhD



Riverlane. Fmr. Director, IBM Quantum & Qiskit Community.

Liz Durst

Microgrant Program: A Bottom-up Approach



Microgrants are \$4,000, no-strings attached. 100 teams funded to date in 31 countries. Apply with a 2-minute video on unitary foundation

unitaryHACK 2025: A bounty-based program supporting quantum OSS projects

- Dates: May 28 June 11, 2025
- 5th anniversary edition
- <u>Unitaryhack.dev</u>

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- 900+ hackers registered
- 99 maintainers
- 54 OSS projects participating
- 6 in-person Hackdays (up from 3 last year)
 - PushQuantum, TUM, Germany
 - QLASS @ Milan, Italy
 - U. Coimbra, Portugal

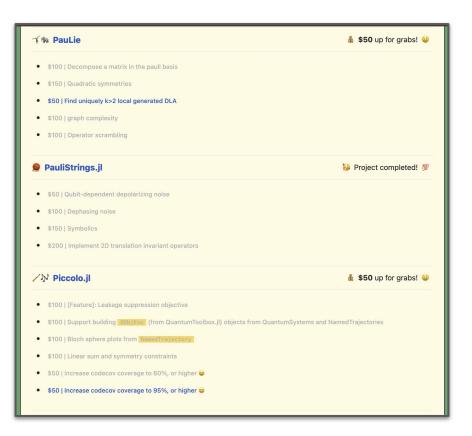
 78 hackers awarded bounties for 172 issues closed, collecting a total of \$19710



unitaryHack impact 2021-2024

327 bounties closed across 83 oss projects
For ~\$32k

unitaryHACK 2025



unitaryHACK 2025



Kitsunp

Kitsup has claimed \$1145 by closing 11 issues across 6 projects!

Bounties Completed

- guppylang: Diagnostics rendering with miette
- metriq-qym : Add mirror circuits to benchmarks
- metriq-gym: Feature: Allow user to dispatch list of benchmarks on a device
- pyqtorch : [Testing] Test reembedding of params in HamiltonianEvolution
- pyqtorch : [Testing] Expand embedding tests for all operators
- **qlass** : Reduce the number of measurements: grouping commuting Pauli terms.
- qlass: generalize loss function to work with more executors
- qlass: OpenFermion as alternative quantum chemistry library
- qurveros : Fit BarqCurve control points to curve
- qurveros : Handle floating-point errors during optimization
- scqubits : Conversion from (scqubits 's custom) NamedSlotsNdarray to other data formats.

Save the Date: unitaryCON 2025





September 2-4, 2025

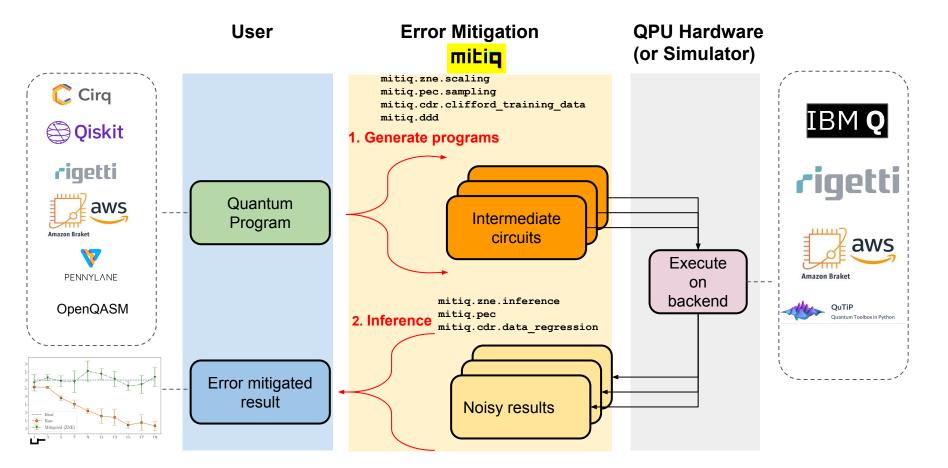


Albuquerque, NM, USA. In partnership with the University of New Mexico and IEEE Quantum Week.



Bringing together the community of quantum open source software developers.

Cross-Platform Quantum Error Mitigation with Mitiq



Mitiq project: Community, Impact and Dissemination



Quantum 6 774 (2022)



pip install mitiq
github.com/unitaryfund/mitiq



50+ Releases Current version: v.0.45 **250,000** Downloads



186 "forks" (copies) 80+ contributors 6 Ambassadors



mitiq.readthedocs.io 317 pages of documentation Full API-docs, 20+ tutorials



discord.unitary.fund Community Call: Fri 6 pm CET Quantum Wednesday: 6:30 pm CET

First established thanks to ARQC TEAM



Mitiq is used at Ames Nat Lab, IBM, Inst. Polit. Nacional (Mexico), Iowa State, Los Alamos Nat Lab, Michigan State Univ., Perimeter Institute (Canada), Stanford, Univ. Autonoma Madrid (Spain), Univ. Compl. Madrid (Spain), Univ. of Chicago, Yale...

[Compilation] Launched the Unitary Compiler Collection (UCC)

Problem: Compiler improvements are often isolated in separate libraries or one-off repositories without integration into existing tools and there are high switching costs between quantum computing frameworks and hardware platforms.

Unitary Compiler Collection ... The "quantum GCC"





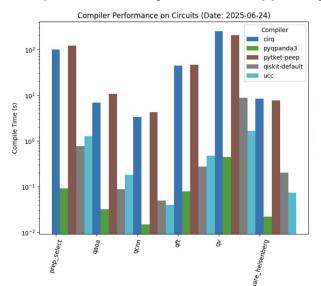
Resources

- <u>UF blog post</u>: *Introducing ucc* March 5, 2025
- Github Repo: github.com/unitaryfund/ucc
- Docs: https://ucc.readthedocs.io/
- UF Discord: #ucc text channel

[Compilation] Launched the Unitary Compiler Collection (UCC)



- Aim at Best-in-Class Compilation: Currently leveraging a subset of Qiskit's transpiler
 passes optimized with Rust for circuit optimization. We benchmark UCC's default passes
 against existing compilers and SDKs.
- 2. No Code Changes to Switch Between Frontends: UCC leverages qBraid so that users do not need to rewrite code.
- 3. Compatible with Any Backend Supporting OpenQASM: No extra imports needed:



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[Compilation] Mitiq Workshop

WERQSHOP

Workshop on Error Resilience in Quantum computing

📅 July 17-18, 2025 | 📍 New York University, NYC 🗽

Bringing together researchers, developers, and practitioners to advance error resilience in quantum computing.

Topics

- New quantum error mitigation (QEM) techniques
- QEM feasibility/scaling
- Open source QEM software
- QEM performance
- QEM in the early fault tolerant era
- Error resilience

NYC, Jul 17-19, 2025

Hosted at NYU

Supported by NSF Mitiq POSE grant

In collaboration with DoE SMART STACK & Mitiq advisors

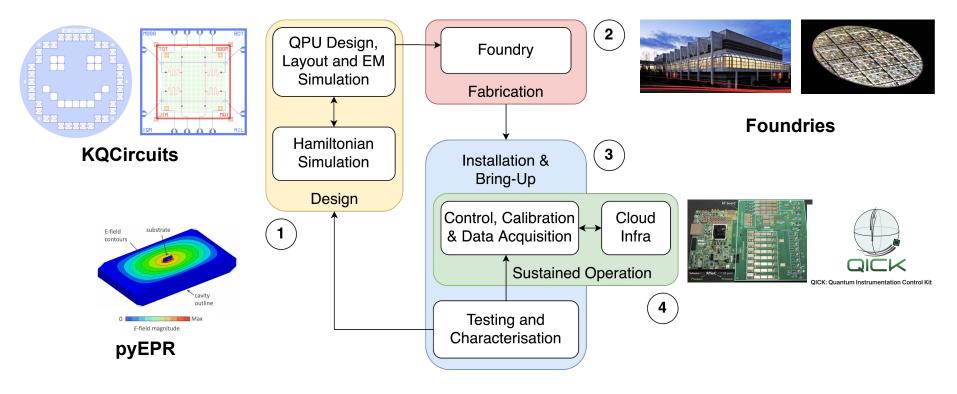
QEM, QEC, compilation in early FTQC stage

Invited Speakers (Confirmed)

- Zhenyu Cai (Oxford)
- Yongshan Ding (Yale)
- Sam Ferracin (IBM)
- William J. Huggins (Google)
- <u>Jin Ming Koh</u> (Harvard)
- <u>Matea Leahy</u> (Algorithmiq)
- Yihui Quek (MIT)

https://werq.shop/

Open Hardware in Quantum Technology: The Complete Cycle



Unitary Fund: Supporting Open Quantum Hardware (OQH)

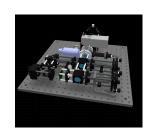
Catalyzing processes

- + First pyEPR community call (2020)
- + First OQH workshop at IEEE Quantum Week (2021)
- + First OQH review paper (2024)
- + Quantum Device Workshop (2025)



Microgrants

OpenQuantum: Cold-atom CAD

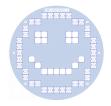


Connecting the community



Support projects in unitaryHACK

KQCircuits



Partnering with OQD (Waterloo)



Open Hardware... in Quantum Technology?

Arduino

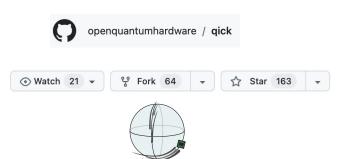


Raspberry Pi



Classical electronics:







RF-SoC: Radio-Frequency (RF), System on a Chip (SoC)

Open Hardware in Quantum Technology, a Review

