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Quantum Computing: Finding Its Place in the Advanced Computing Sector

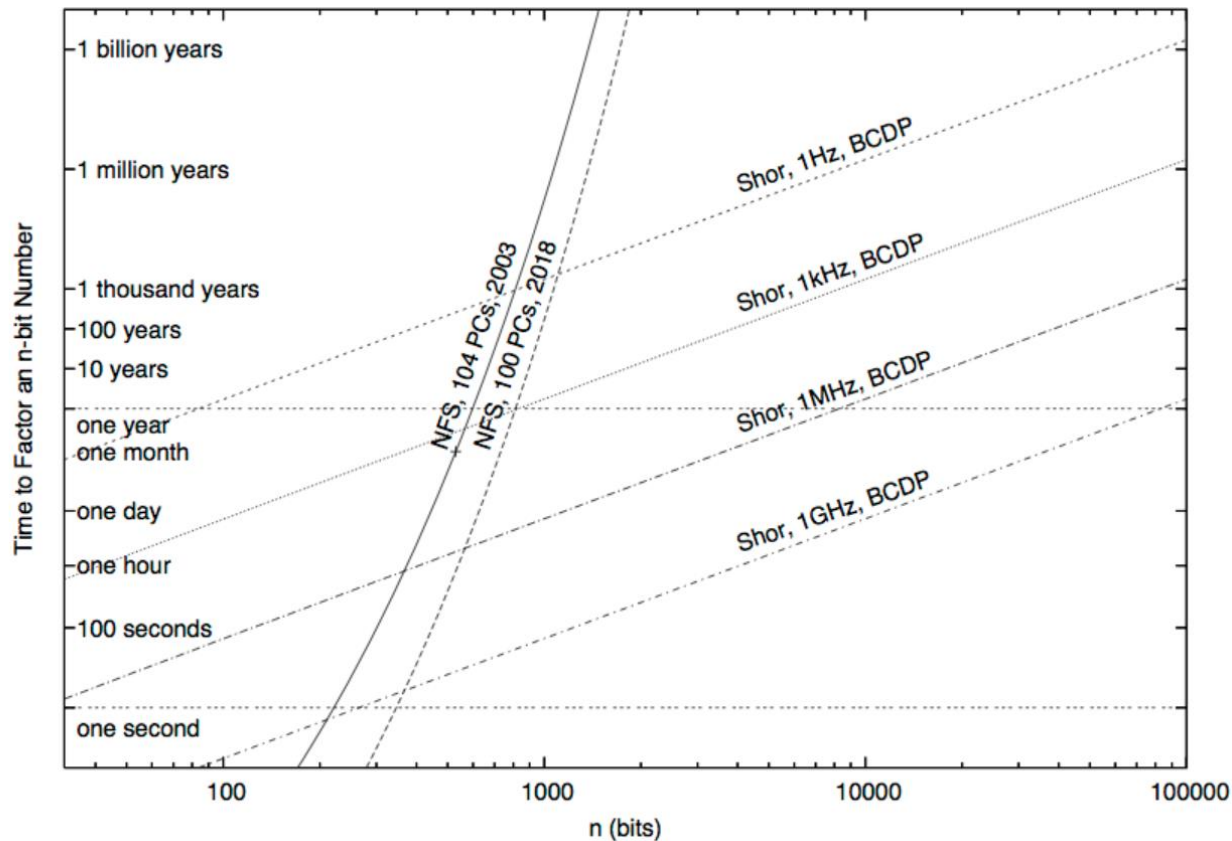
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Currently, the Promise of QC is Substantial

- QC systems have the potential to exceed the performance of conventional computers for problems of importance to humankind and businesses alike in areas such as:
 - Physical Simulation
 - Materials science
 - Chemistry
 - Pharmaceuticals
 - Oil and gas
 - Machine learning
 - Optimization
- And the list grows longer each day
- Goal: Demonstrate so-called quantum supremacy using a programmable quantum device to solve a problem that no classical computer can solve in any feasible amount of time
 - For example: Factoring a large number into its two prime integers

Shor's Algorithm: *The QC Exemplar*



- Prime Number Factoring
 - $15 = 5 * 3$
- *Polynomial-Time Algorithms for Prime Factorization and Discrete Logarithms on a Quantum Computer*, Peter W. Shor (AT&T Research) 1995
- Graph from *Architecture Dependent Execution Time of Shor's Algorithm*, Rodney Van Meter et al, 2006

Figure 1. Scaling of number field sieve (NFS) on classical computers and Shor's algorithm for factoring on a quantum computer, using BCDP modular exponentiation with various clock rates. Both horizontal and vertical axes are log scale. The horizontal axis is the size of the number being factored.

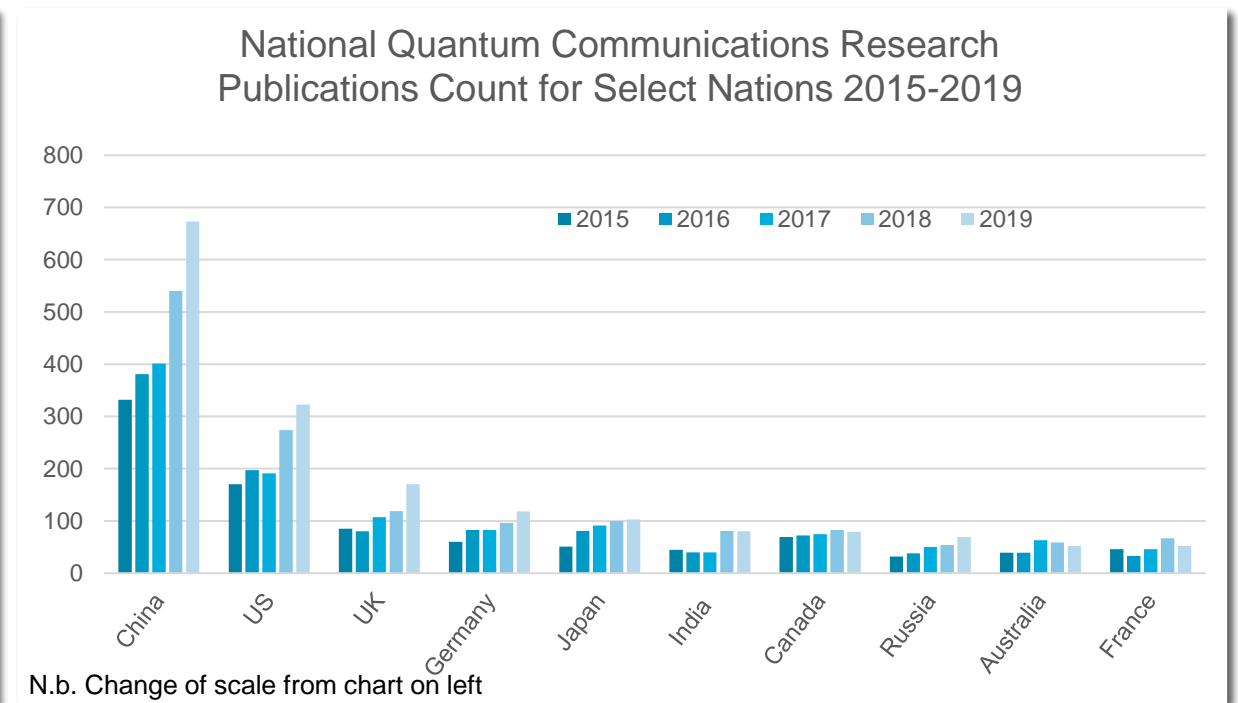
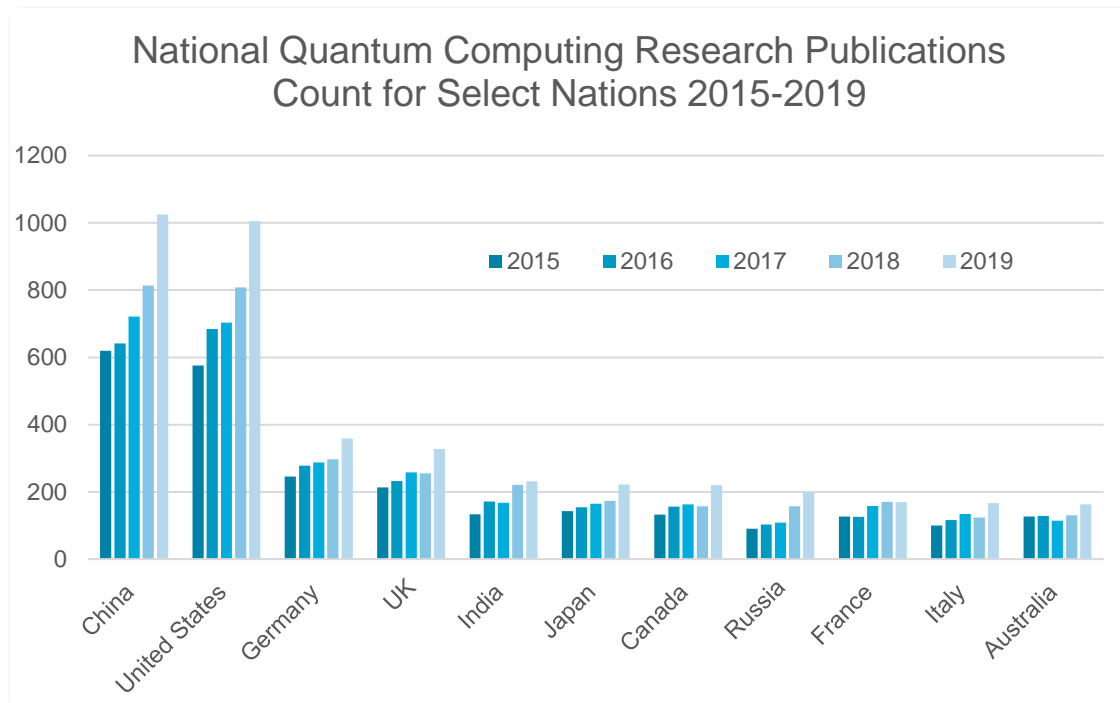
Substantial Challenges Ahead

- Formidable technical issues in QC hardware and software
- Uncertain performance gains
- Unclear time frames
- Disorganized progress in algorithm/application development
- Looming workforce issues

All these factors complicates treating QC as a stable market alongside more traditional IT sectors

- Making a business case is tough...but it needs to be done

Comparisons of National-Level Quantum Computing and Communication Research Publications 2015-2019



- Summary of leading R&D publications between 2015 and 2019, using the following query to search a publication's title, abstract, and keywords
- Query: "quantum comput*" OR "qubit" OR "quantum simulat*" where * represents wildcard letters
- The search, conducted on May 21, 2020, yielded a total data set of 15,230 documents

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- Query: "quantum communicat*" OR "quantum key distribution" OR "QKD" OR "quantum crypto*" where * represents wildcard letters
- The search, conducted on May 21, 2020, yielded a total data set of 6,530 documents

Select National/Regional Government Quantum Programs

- Canada: Quantum Science Funding Framework
- China: Key National R&D project, Quantum Control and Quantum Information
- EU: The Quantum Flagship
- France: Quantum: the technological shift that France will not miss
- Germany: Government Framework Programme for Quantum Technologies
- Japan: Q-LEAP
- Russia: Digital Economy National Program
- UK: National Quantum Technologies (UKNQT) Programme
- US: National Quantum Initiative Act

A Growing Collection of Quantum Computing Hardware Suppliers...

- **A wide and diverse range of QC hardware suppliers have emerged to populate a growing QC ecosystem**
 - Legacy Players (D-Wave, IBM, Atos)
 - Integrated Player (Honeywell)
 - New Entrants:
 - Pure Play: IonQ, Rigetti, ColdQuanta, Quantum Circuits Inc, Xanadu, IQM, etc.
 - Component Players: Intel
 - Non-traditional Players (Alibaba, AWS, Baidu, Google, Microsoft)
 - Myriad Stealth Players

Google, Microsoft, and AWS?

■ AWS

- Amazon Braket - CSP for Rigetti, IonQ, D-Wave
- Amazon Quantum Solutions Lab (QC application development)
- AWS Center for Quantum Computing (TBD, w/CalTech et al)

■ Google

- Quantum Processor – Sycamore Processor (53 qubits)
- TensorFlow for Hybrid classical/quantum AI algorithms

■ Microsoft

- Azure Quantum - CSP for Honeywell, IonQ, Quantum Circuits
- Quantum Network – Quantum Broker
- Quantum Developers QKD
- Topological Qubit Development

...and QC Software Suppliers Abound

	D-Wave	Google	IBM	Microsoft	Rigetti
1QBit	X		X	X	X
Boxcat			X		
Cambridge Quantum Computing		X	X	X	
Entropica Labs			X	X	X
Grid			X		
GTN				X	
Horizon Quantum Computing					X
HQS Quantum Simulations		X		X	X
JoS Quantum			X		
Labber Quantum			X		
Max Kelsen			X		
MDR	X		X		
Multiverse Computing				X	
NetraMark			X		

	D-Wave	Google	IBM	Microsoft	Rigetti
OTI Lumionics	X			X	X
ProteinQure	X		X	X	X
QC Ware	X	X	X	X	X
Q-CTRL			X		X
Qu & Co			X		
Quantastica					X
Quantum Benchmark		X	X		
Qulab				X	X
QxBranch	X		X	X	X
Rahko			X	X	
Riverlane Research				X	X
Solid State AI			X	X	
Strangeworks			X	X	X
Zapata Computing		X	X	X	X

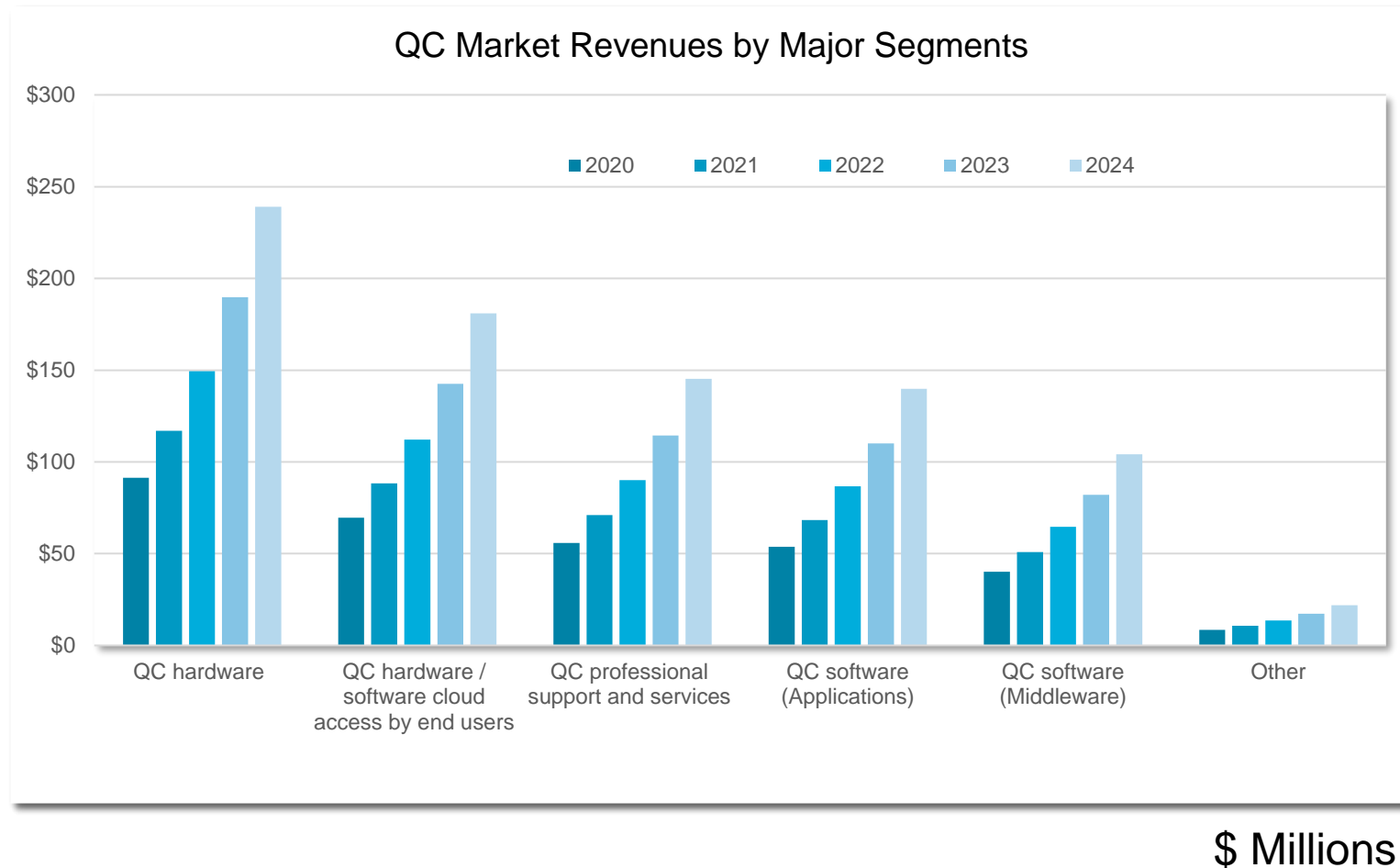
Source: Quantum Computing Report

QC Market Forecast Executive Summary

- The global QC market was worth about \$250 million (+/- \$30 million) in 2019
- Based on an anticipated CAGR of 27% between 2020 and 2024, the global QC market will grow from approximately \$320 million in 2020 to \$830 million in 2024
- On-prem and cloud access QC hardware will comprise about 50% of the global QC market for the next three years
- Optimization, physical simulation, and machine learning will near equally divide the algorithm space
- NISQ will be the near-term architecture of choice, followed by quantum annealers and digital simulators
- User access to QC will be primarily through the cloud, at three times the rate of an on-premise option

Building a QC Market Projection

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Items to Consider for Future and On-going Adjustment:

- Growth in QC on-prem hw (+/-)
- Role of quantum simulators (+/-)
- QC cloud pricing models (+/-)
- In-house vs professional support (+/-)

QC Buyer/User Performance Considerations

QC Performance Expectations: Modest Gains Prevail

What is the minimum application performance gain you would require to justify using quantum computing for your existing and planned workloads?

	Number of Responses	Percent
2-5X	9	7.8%
5-10X	14	12.2%
10-50X	26	22.6%
50-100X	30	26.1%
100-250X	11	9.6%
250-500X	3	2.6%
Greater than 500X	4	3.5%
Application or required performance not possible on classical systems	18	15.7%

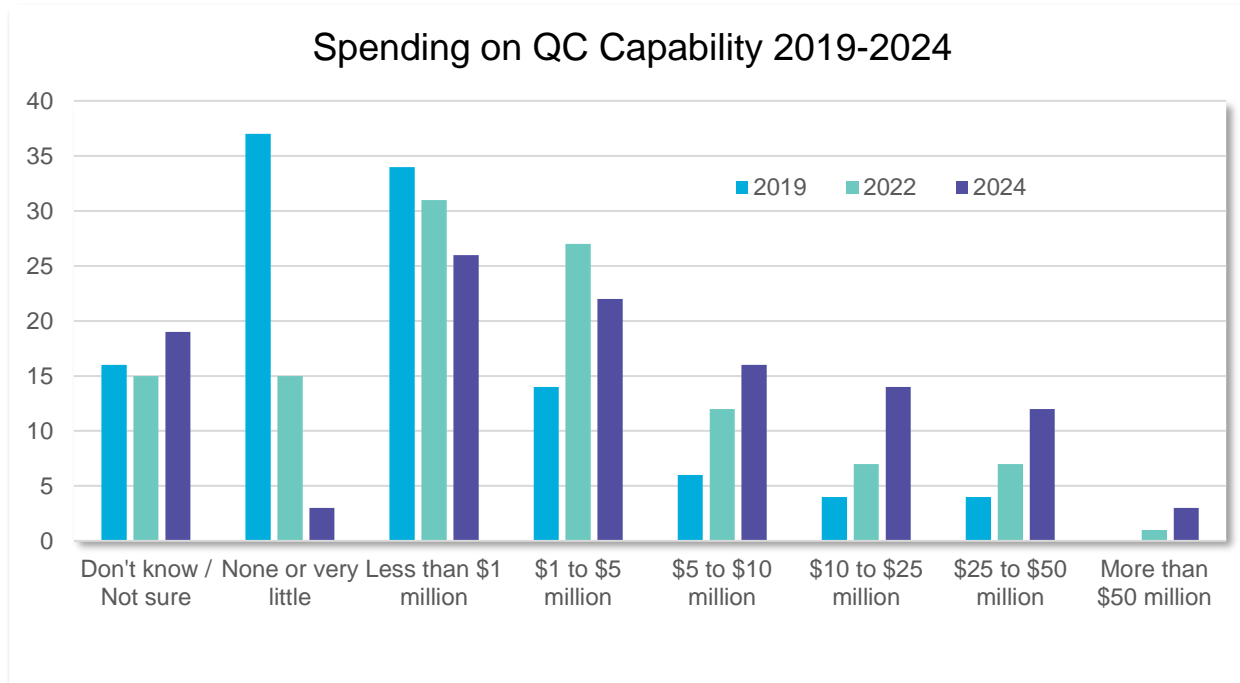
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Source: Hyperion Research, 2020

- Expectations for the minimum QC performance gains for both existing and planned workloads were relatively modest
 - 78% of respondents would see a performance boost of less than 250X as justification for using QC
 - 42% would only need 50X or below
 - 20% would need less than 10X
- A 50X performance improvement translates into a roughly 4-5-year lead over counterpart classical computing performance
- Only 18 respondents (16%) would require true quantum supremacy or quantum-only applications to justify using a QC for their existing or planned workloads

QC Buyer/User Spending Plans

Anticipated QC Spending 2019-2024



- All companies intend to spend the same or more per year in quantum computing between 2019-2024
- Between 2019 and 2020, the percentage of respondent with little of no QC capability declines from 32% to less than 3%
- Between 2019 and 2024 the number of companies spending \$25 million or more on QC goes from 4 to 17
- Using average price bands and number of companies in each price band, the total contribution to the QC sector from the 115 respondents will be
 - \$324 million in 2019
 - \$616 million in 2022
 - \$1.06 billion in 2024

This represent a 27% CAGR for 2019-2024 total QC expenditures of the QC buyer/user respondents

How This Plays Out Near-Term

- Near-term QC Ramp Up
 - Many exploring applications/use cases and not just for traditional HPC but for enterprise IT computing environments
 - QC/SME application development could be next crucial milestone
 - That the market will be growing – at least for the next few years - is demonstrated
- Quantum computing is not a replacement for classical computing, but a companion technology
- The sector is not at the Moore's Law stage
 - Development is happening in many dimensions and in parallel:
 - Hardware (qubit, QC-Lan, architecture)
 - Software (middleware, applications, use cases)
 - Algorithms
 - Hybrid classical/quantum systems
 - Quantum inspired hardware and software

QUESTIONS?



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“Let me go check my quantum computer for any new email.”

--Will say no one, ever