

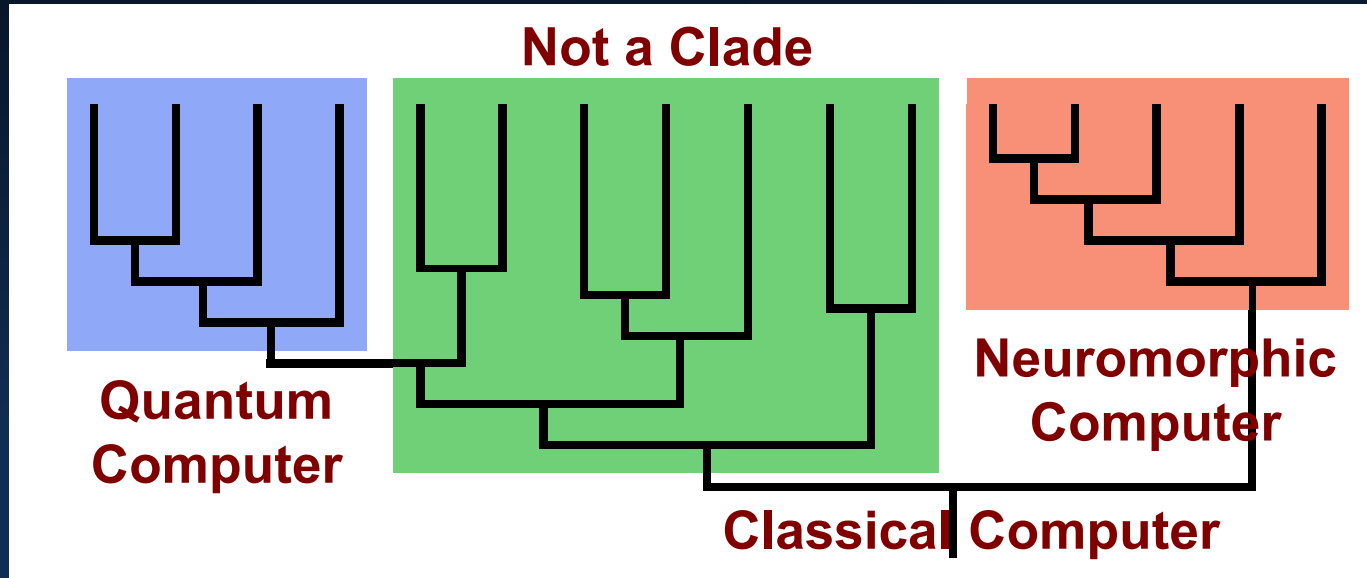
# Quantum Computing: *Cladogenesis* Beyond Exascale HPC

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# Cladogenesis

*n.* The genesis of a complete subtree of higher taxonomy clades



# Cladogenesis



**Quantum  
Computer**



**Classical  
Computer**

# Quantum is Different

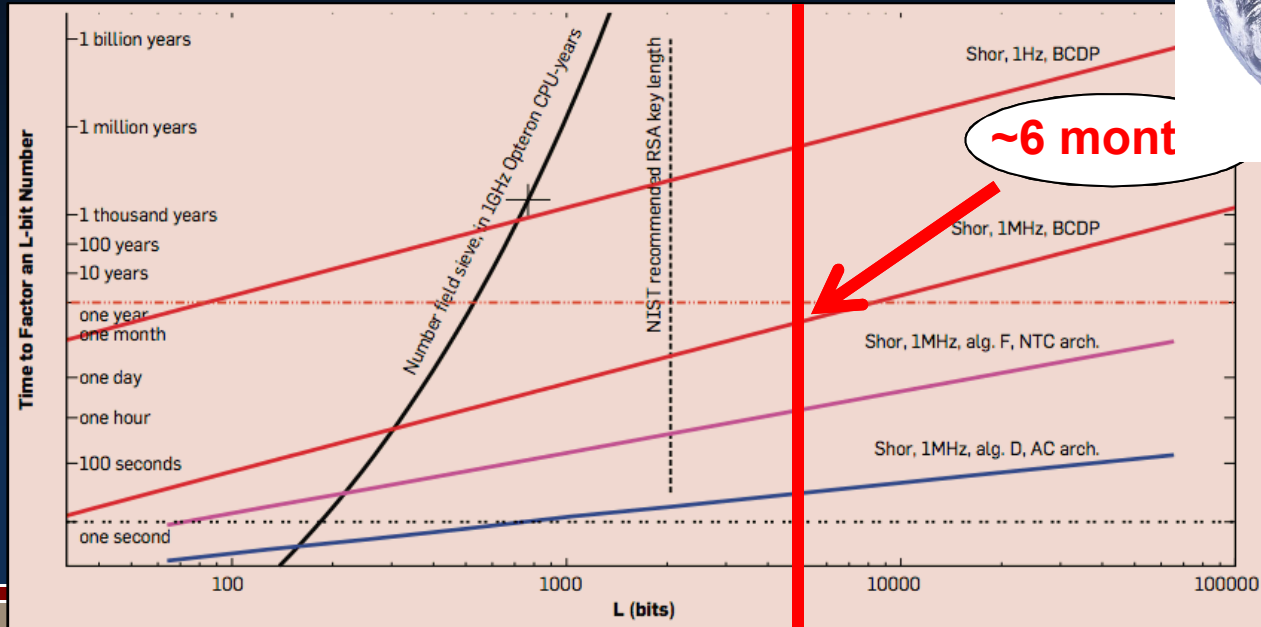
$\sqrt{NOT}$

**The laws of computation are not what  
you think they are**



# Quantum Cryptanalysis

If all the silicon in the world's crust were converted to Pentium chips, it would take the age of the universe to factor a 5,000-bit number.

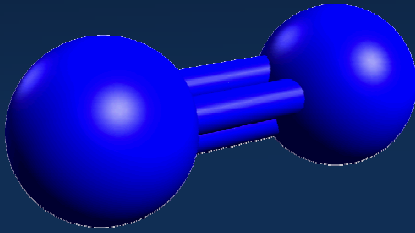


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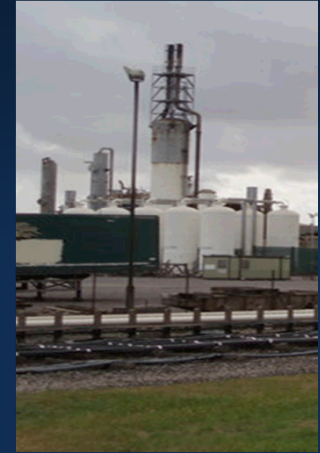
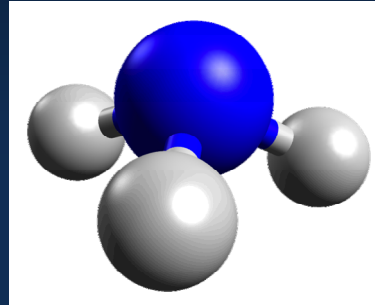
# Quantum Simulation

With only 200 error-free qubits, a quantum computer could unravel biological nitrogen fixation [1]. Currently, the Haber-Bosch process consumes 2% of the world's annual energy supply.

## Nitrogen



## Ammonia



# Quantum Algorithms



## Cryptanalysis

- RSA, Diffie-Hellman, elliptic-curve cryptography



## Simulation

- Explosives, fuels, armor, batteries, nanomedicine



## Pattern-finding

- Social networks, data analytics, radar signatures



## Machine learning

- Financial fraud detection, computer vision, speech recognition

Over 50 more @ <http://math.nist.gov/quantum/zoo>

# Quantum Chips

Trapped atoms



Trapped ions



Silicon

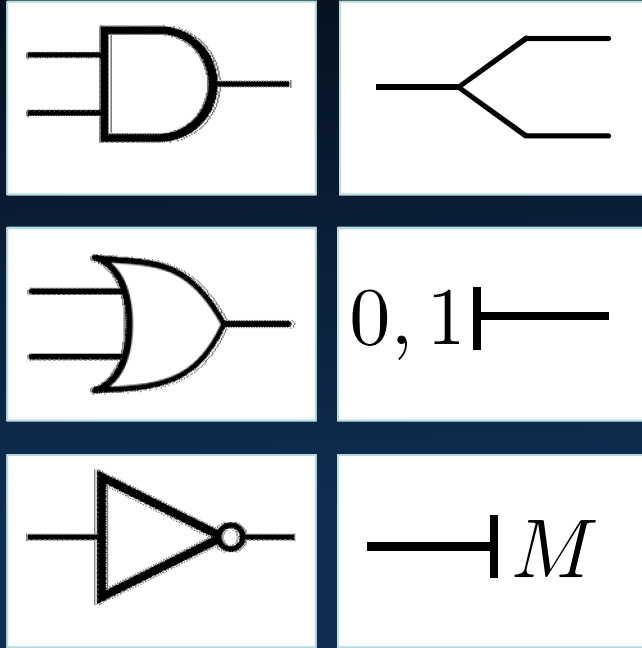


Superconducting

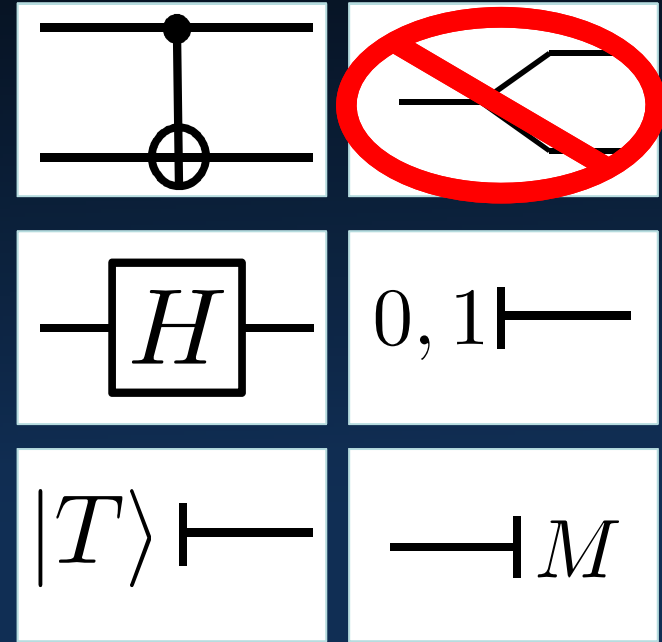


# Quantum Logic

## Classical gates

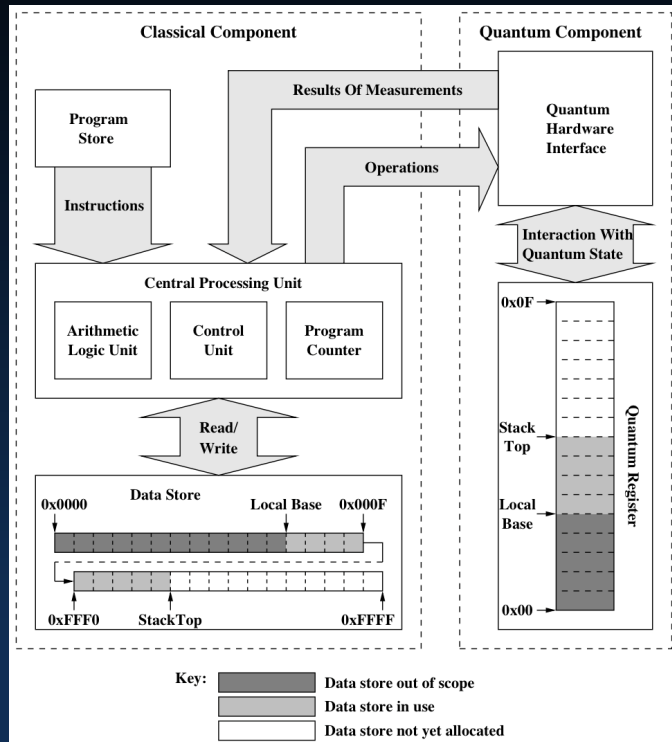


## Quantum gates



# Programming

## QRAM ISA [1, 2]



## Languages

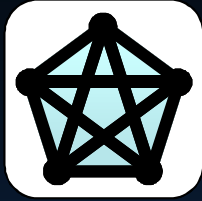
- **Assembly:** QASM, Quil
- **Imperative:** QCL, Scaffold
- **Functional:** QML, Quipper
- **Hybrid:** LIQUi|>
- **Framework:** ProjectQ

## Noteworthy Features

- **JIT Compiling**
- **ILP: Superscalar? VLIW?**
- **EPIC?**

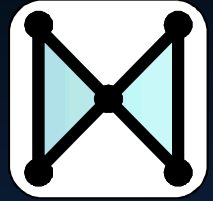
# Example QC Specs [1]

## Trapped-ion (UMD)



- **Qubits:** 5
- **Interconnect:** Laser
  - All 12.642821 GHz
- **1-qubit gates:** 20  $\mu$ s, 99.1%
- **2-qubit gates:** 250  $\mu$ s, 97.0%
- **Prep/readout:** X  $\mu$ s, 99.4%

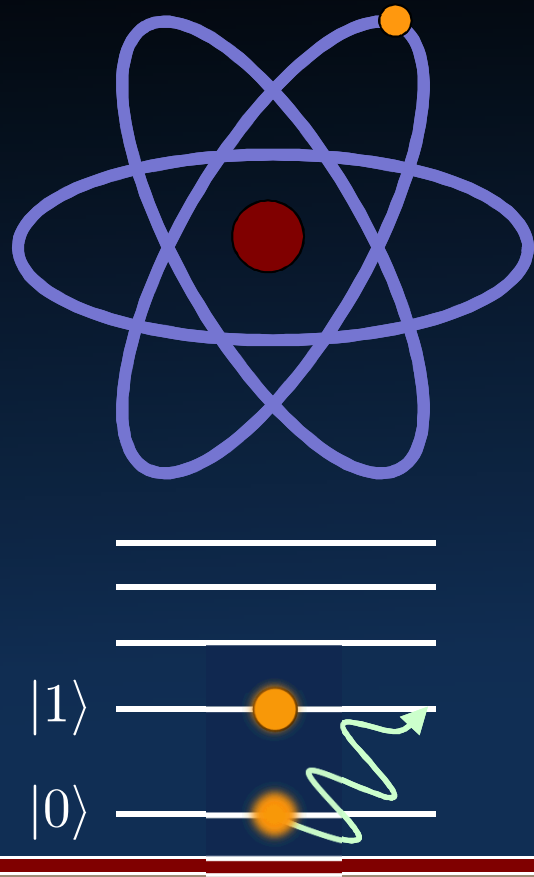
## Superconducting (IBM)



- **Qubits:** 5
- **Interconnect:** Microwave
  - 5 – 5.4 GHz; drifts daily
- **1-qubit gates:** 130 ns, 99.7%
- **2-qubit gates:** 450 ns, 96.5%
- **Prep/readout:** X ms, 96%



# Quantum Fragility



$$|0\rangle \longleftrightarrow |1\rangle$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle + |1\rangle)$$

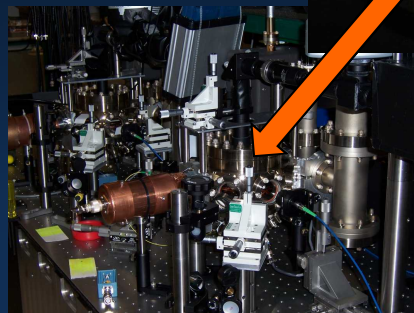
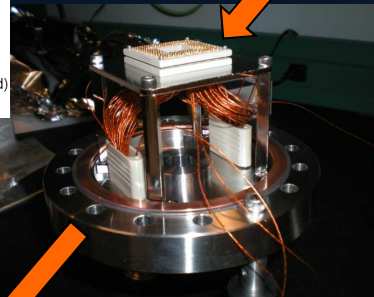
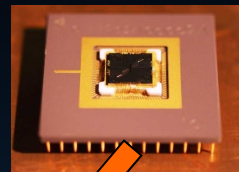
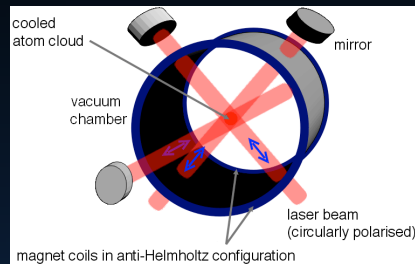
$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle - |1\rangle)$$



# Quantum Isolation



**Dilution refrigerator: 10 mK**

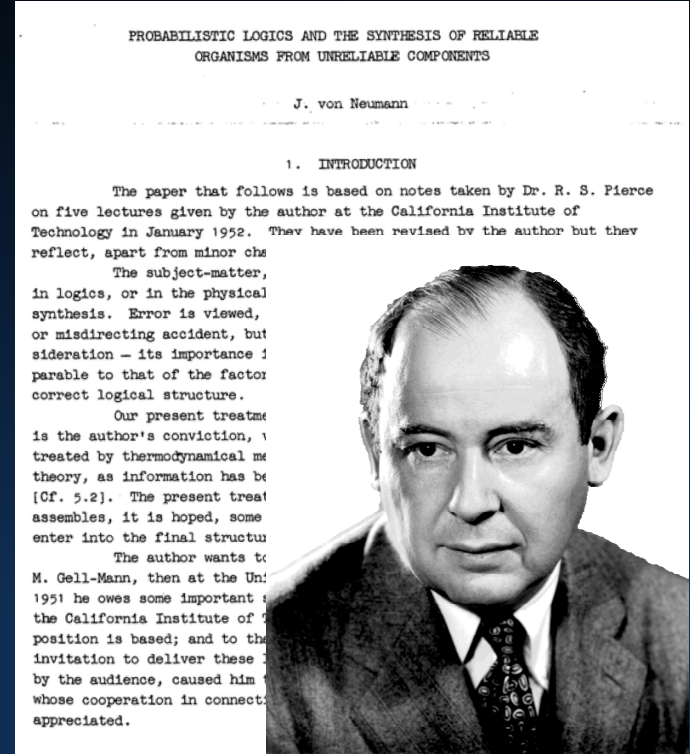


**Laser cooling: 10  $\mu$ K**

# Fault tolerance



ENIAC, 1946



von Neumann, 1956

# Cost of redundancy

Assumed Machine: 100 MHz quops

## Factoring a 2000-bit number in 2.7 h [1]:

- $10^{-3}$  error: 500 qB (logical), 120 MqB (physical).
- $10^{-4}$  error: 500 qB (logical), 16.5 MqB (physical).

## Quantitatively accurate simulation of FeMoCo in 15 d [2]:

- $10^{-3}$  error: 14 qB (logical), 5.1 GqB (physical)
- $10^{-6}$  error: 14 qB (logical), 3.75 MqB (physical)

# Testbed QCs

**Google:** 49-qubit goal by December 2017.

**NSF:** \$3M/yr Ideas Lab: Practical Fully-Connected Quantum Computer Challenge (PFCQC), November 2017

**DOE:** \$5M/yr Quantum Testbed User Facility (pending Congressional budget action)

**IBM:** Open-Access “Quantum Experience” online since 5/16: 40k users, 270k experiments, 15 published papers

**ETH Zurich:** 45 *simulated* qubits on Cori II (#5) (4/17) [1]

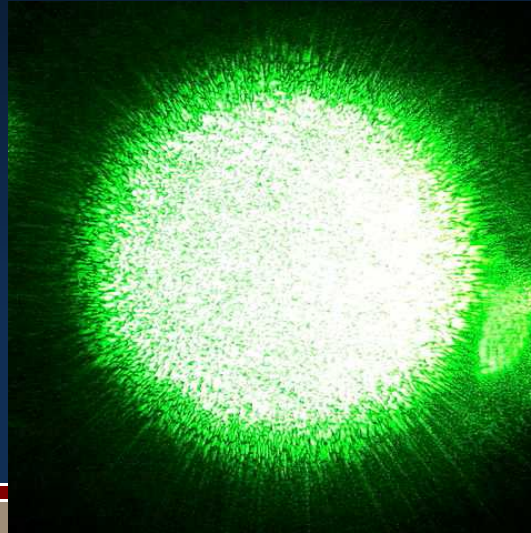


# How to use a testbed



## School of thought 1: “Quantum Supremacists”

- Let's run algorithms on it and benchmark it
- Maybe we can demonstrate “quantum supremacy”



# How to use a testbed



## School of thought 2: “Quantum Visionaries”

- Let’s use it to learn how to build bigger, better machines
- Maybe we can validate theoretical error models

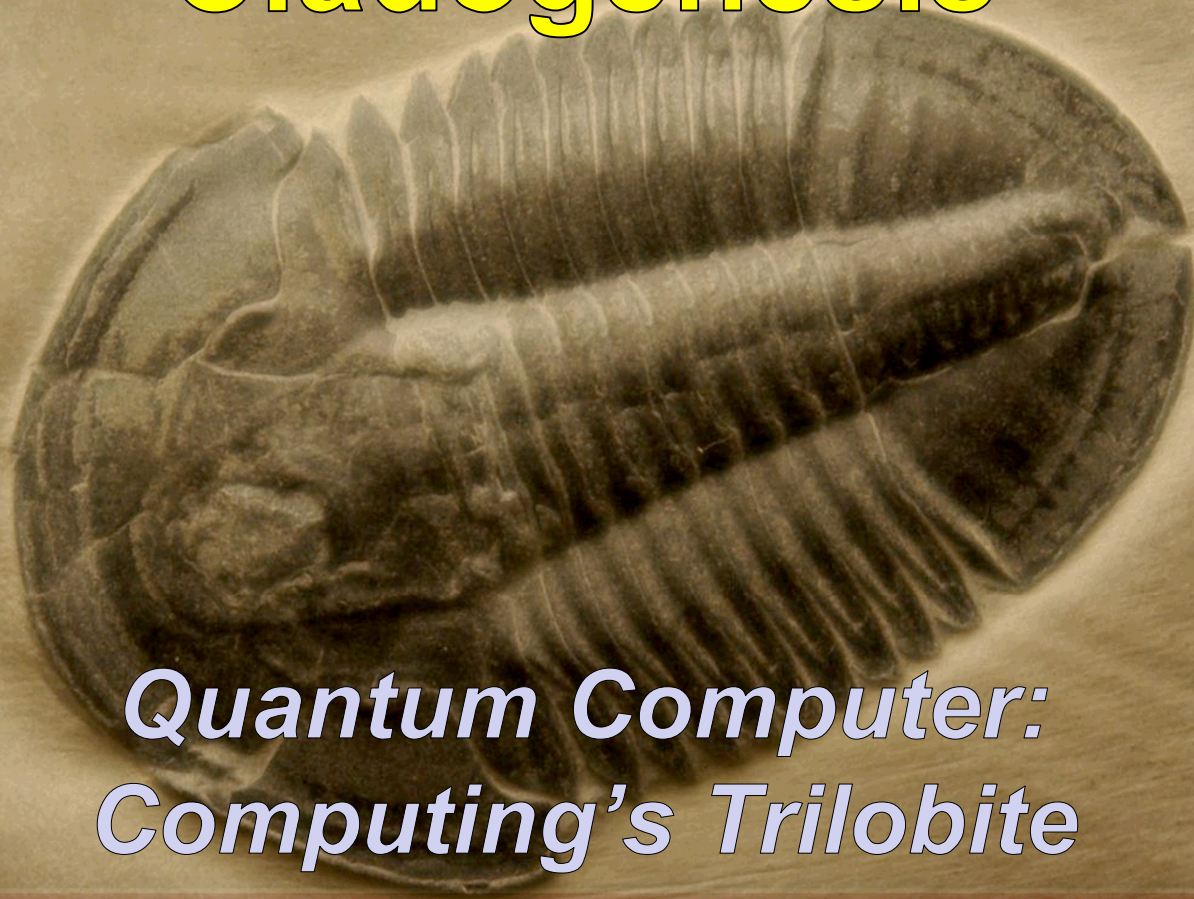
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**—William Wordsworth, 1770 – 1880**

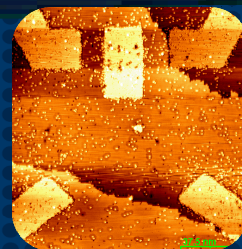
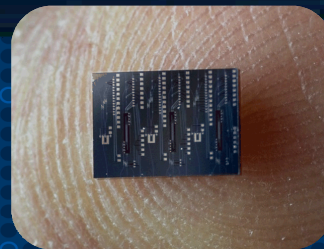
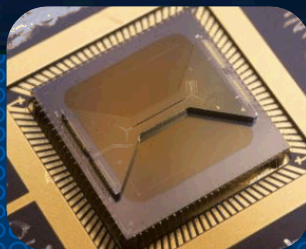
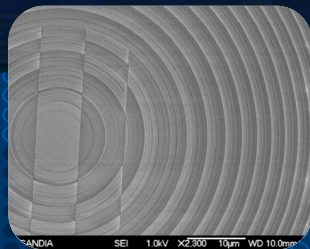
***My Heart Leaps Up***



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*Quantum Computer:  
Computing's Trilobite*



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