

# The Science & Engineering of Quantum Information Systems

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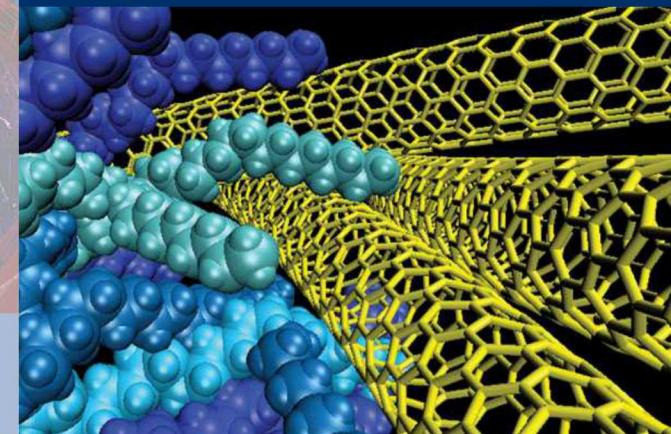
# Our QIS Research reaches across our laboratories' core Research Foundations

## Computing &

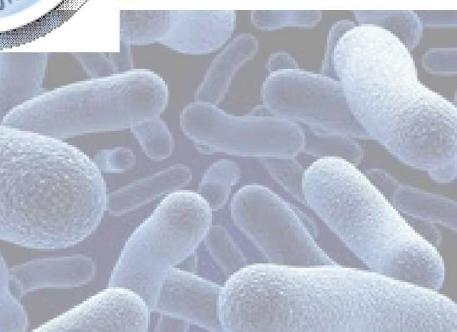
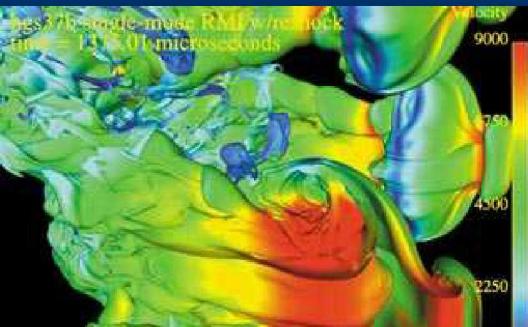
## Information Sciences



## Materials Sciences

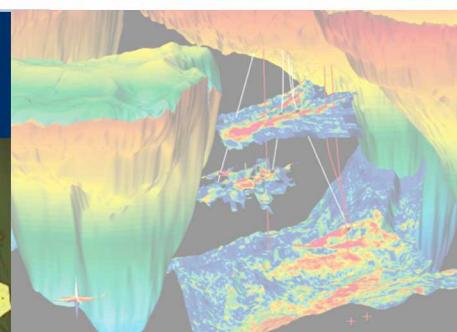


## Engineering Sciences



## Bioscience

## Nanodevices & Microsystems



## Geoscience

# Summary: Our QIS Capabilities and Interests

## Primary Expertise & Interest Areas

- **QIS:** Quantum Computing, Quantum Sensing, Quantum Communications/QKD
- **Fundamentals:** atomic and condensed matter physics, noise models, photonics, optics, QIS theory
- **Fabrication:** quantum device design/modeling, micro-electronics fab, packaging, integration, nanotechnology, photonics, failure analysis (including superconducting electronics)
- **Quantum Devices:** theory, qubit devices, quantum and classical architectures, error correction, controls, mod/sim, testing
- **Quantum Systems:** algorithms, applications, assessments
- **Data Systems:** HPC HW/SW design, operating system development, data warehousing/analytics/mining, data visualization, user interfaces
- **Infrastructure:** vacuum chambers/systems, dil fridges, cryogenics, mechanical/electronics/optics fab, test facilities



MESA



CINT

## Most Differentiating Factors

- **MESA Silicon Fab and Micro Fab:** world-wide supplier of ion traps and silicon-based dot devices
- **Center for Integrated Nanotechnologies (CINT):** device testing, materials/devices characterizations, fabrication. *A DOE/SC National User Facility*
- **High Performance Computing:** critical enabler for qubit design/simulation/testing/analysis, data analyses
- **Materials Science:** creation/synthesis, prototyping processes, measurements, characterization, modeling
- **Deep, broad technical base:** foundation from \$77.5M LDRD investment (2006-2020)
- **Multidisciplinary, integrated cross-laboratory team:** basic science to engineering to systems integration to outreach/partnerships – deep, broad domain expertise



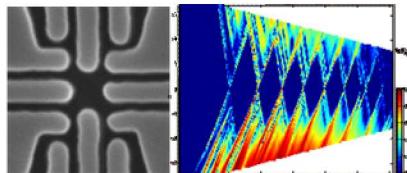
ASC Supercomputers



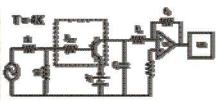
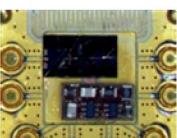
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# Quantum Computing: Expertise in Multiple Qubits

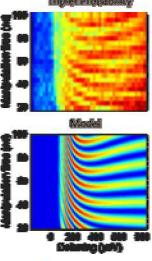
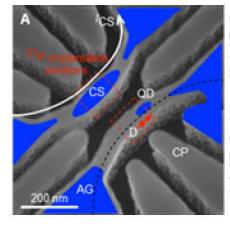
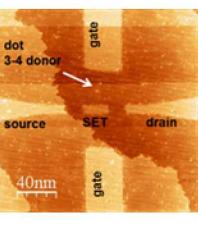
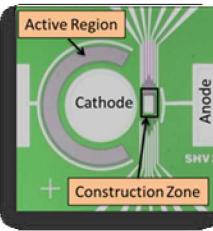
## MOS-QD/Donor Platform



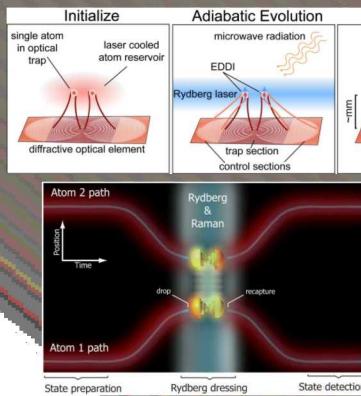
## Cryogenic Electronics



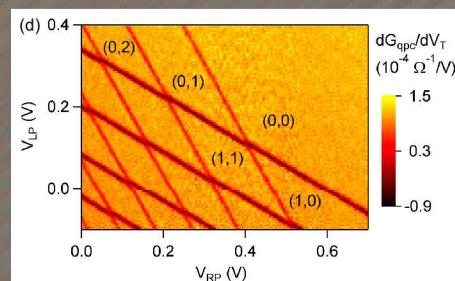
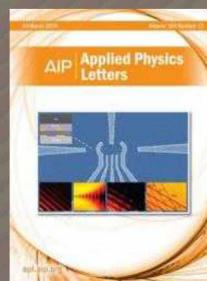
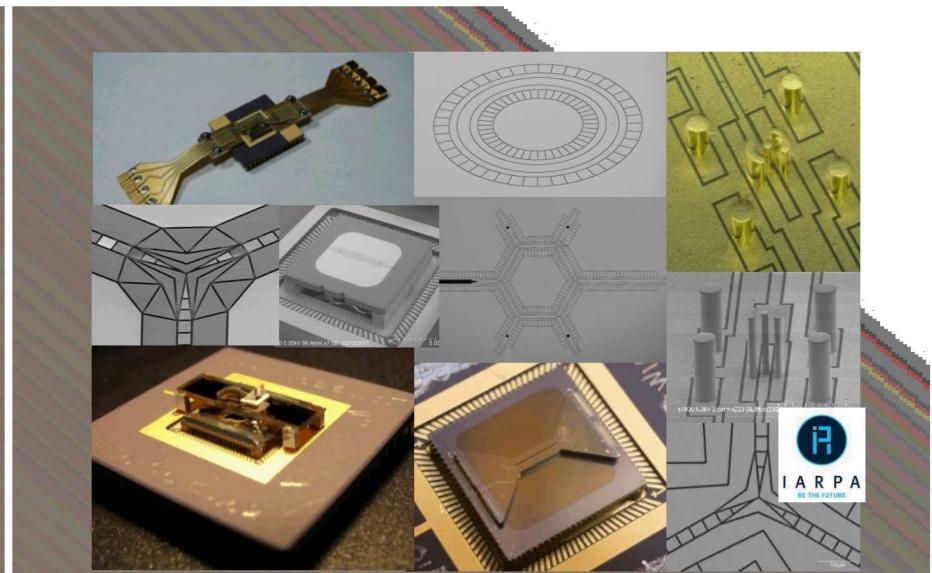
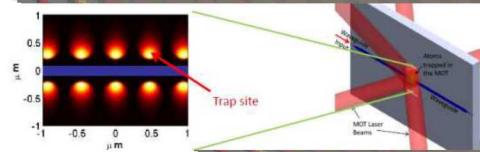
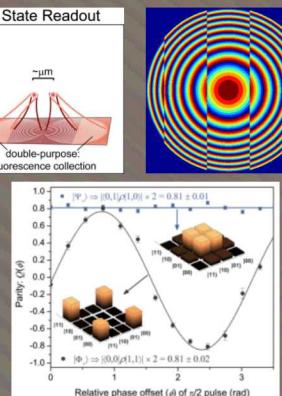
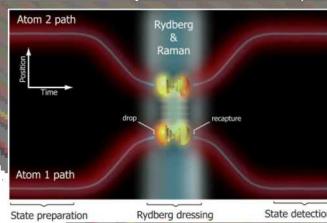
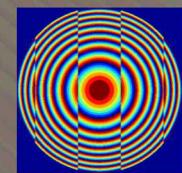
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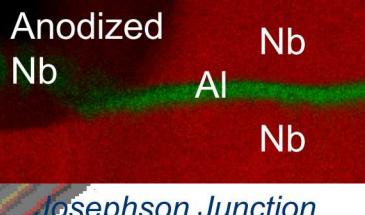
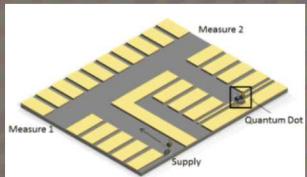
## Individual Donor Incorporation Coupled MOS/Donor Qubits



### State Readout



Hole DQD



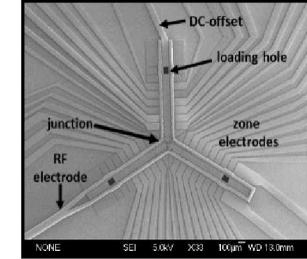
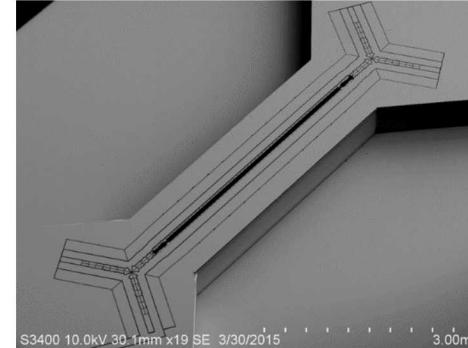
Josephson Junction

# Quantum Computing Hardware Capabilities

## SNL Primary Platforms: Trapped Ions and Si-based Dots/Donors

### Ions in Microfabricated Surface Traps

- Ion trap foundry: multiple designs; Ca, Yb, Mg
  - Delivered to >15 groups, 5 countries
  - IARPA MQCO, LogiQ supplier
- HOA-2: workhorse platform
  - >100 h trapping time, >5 min w/o cooling (Yb)
  - World-leading fidelities: 1Q  $G_X, G_Y, G_I > 99.99\%$ , 2Q Mølmer-Sørensen > 99.5%

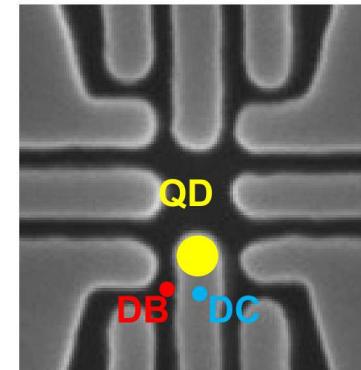


Sandia Y-junction surface trap

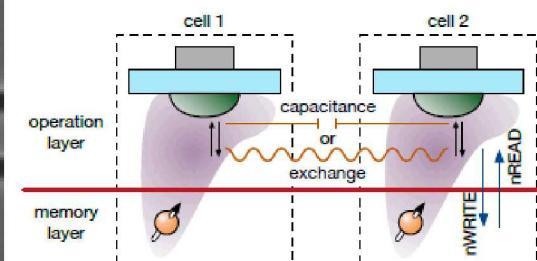
Dynamic shuttling of  $\text{Ca}^+$  thru junction ( $>10^6$  cycles)

### Si-based Dots/Donors

- Double QDs ( $e^-$  spin, charge qubits)
- Coupled QD-donor hybrid (world first):
  - $F \sim 99.5\%$ , 2-axis control of electron
  - Exploring extensibility (LDRD)
- Cryoelectronic amplification for readout (low power, low noise), fidelities  $\sim 99.7\%$
- Flexible qubit construction platform



MAJIQ-SWAG Hybrid QD-D Device:  
 $P$  donor nuclear spin – ST qubit



Extension to 2-unit cell device  
(current LDRD)

### Extensive theory, design, modeling, simulation tools

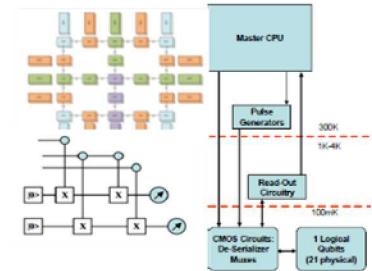
### Expertise in other qubit systems

- Neutral Atoms, Hole spins in GaAs, EONS, Majorana anyons

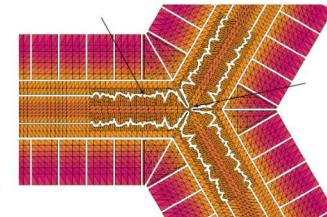
# Quantum Computer Science Capabilities

## A Sampling of Sandia's Capabilities

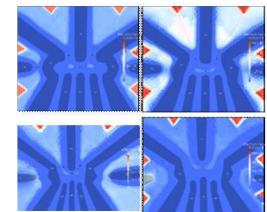
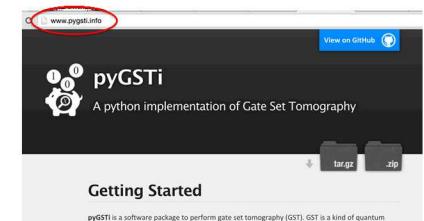
- **Architectures:** Theoretical and experimental expertise
  - Circuit (CQC), adiabatic (AQC), holonomic, topological
  - Error correction/suppression:
    - AQC: World-first error correction schemes with repetition codes; error suppression strategies; Non-equilibrium dynamical models of error suppression / error correction
    - Extensive university collaboration on surface codes, color codes
- **Controls and Noise Modeling**
  - Extensive theory/simulations for ions, traps, Si, neutrals
  - Optimal control, robust control protocols for uncertain qubits
- **V&V:** Gate Set Tomography (GST) and Randomized Benchmarking (RB)
  - GST: characterize/calibrate/debug qubits; detect non-Markovian noise; validate Diamond norm. Many users world-wide, multiple qubit systems
  - pyGSTi – open source GST software – [www.pygsti.info](http://www.pygsti.info)
- **Modeling and Simulation:** SNL-designed, open source, and commercial tools
  - Architectures: circuit simulators, threshold simulators, cluster expansion simulators, vector state simulators, complex quantum networks, controls, stochastic quantum systems, noise models, ...
  - Si: QCAD, COMSOL, NEMO-3D, valley-aware effective mass theory, strain, ...
  - Ions: TRAPSIM (design tool), gate simulators, ...



Schematic of components in Sandia small logical qubit design



TRAPSIM: electrostatic modeling intended for RF trapped ion device design



QCAD results on DQD

**Many tools and capabilities – but with deliberate, tight integration among experiment, theory, design, fabrication, and analysis**

# Fabrication and Characterization Capabilities



- **MESA Fabs:** Trusted design, fabrication, packaging, testing – underpinning Quantum Info at Sandia
  - Silicon Fab: CMOS process, custom technologies (e.g. ion traps, Si quantum dots, Si photonics)
  - MicroFab: III-V compound semiconductor fab
  - *Wafer-level to die-level processing*
- **Center for Integrated Nanotechnologies (CINT): a DOE User Facility**
  - Integration Lab: Clean room with E-beam lithography, photolithography, deposition/etch, SEM/FIB
  - Characterization Lab: SEM/TEM, STM, Si qubit characterization/measurement, transport
- **Special Capabilities:**
  - Atomic Precision Fabrication (CINT): H-lithography for ultimate scale quantum dots and digital electronics
  - Si Photonics: devices thru CMOS integration, cryo SiP
  - Failure analysis: CMOS, superconducting electronics
  - Ion Beam Laboratory: nanolmplanter
- **Materials Science:** creation/synthesis, prototyping processes, measurements, characterization, modeling



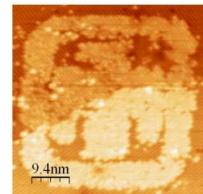
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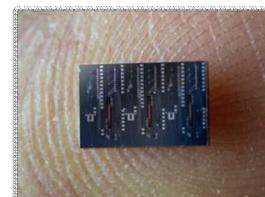
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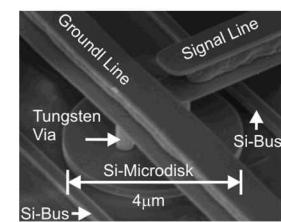
Atomic Precision Fab @ CINT



World-smallest Sandia “nanologo,” at 0.7 nm precision.



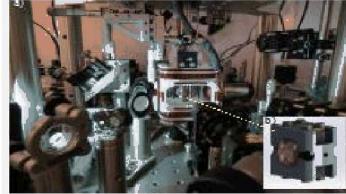
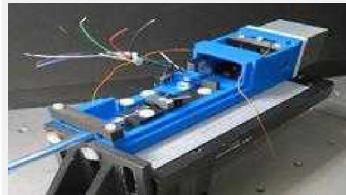
World-first chip scale Si photonics quantum transceiver



Si Photonics resonant optical modulator/filter

**Co-location with Si foundry:** industrial fab rigor, defect reduction (function and performance), semiconductor yield engineering - **QIS program accelerator**

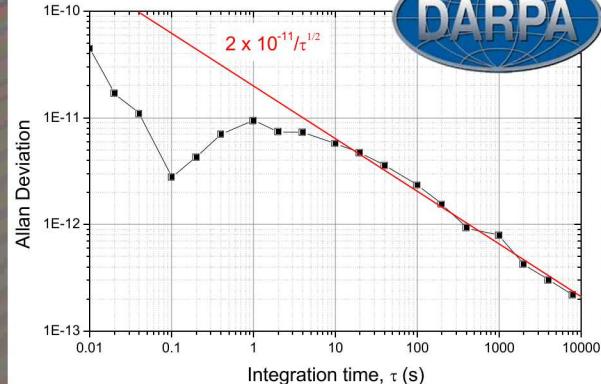
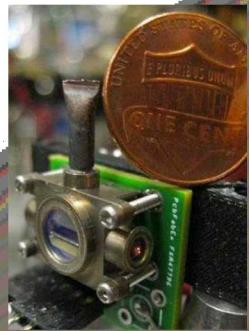
# Quantum Sensing Advantages

Measurand	Current SOA	Potential	Approach
Electric Field	4 mV/m $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ (FET based)	1 nV/m $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ (Rydberg atoms)	
Rotation	100 nrad/s $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ (FOG)	1 nrad/s $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$	
Magnetic Field	2fT/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ (SQUID)	160aT/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ (OPM)	
Portable Time	$1\text{e-}11/\sqrt{\tau}$ w/ 30 kg and 30,000 cc	$1\text{e-}12/\sqrt{\tau}$ w/ 300 g and 100 cc	

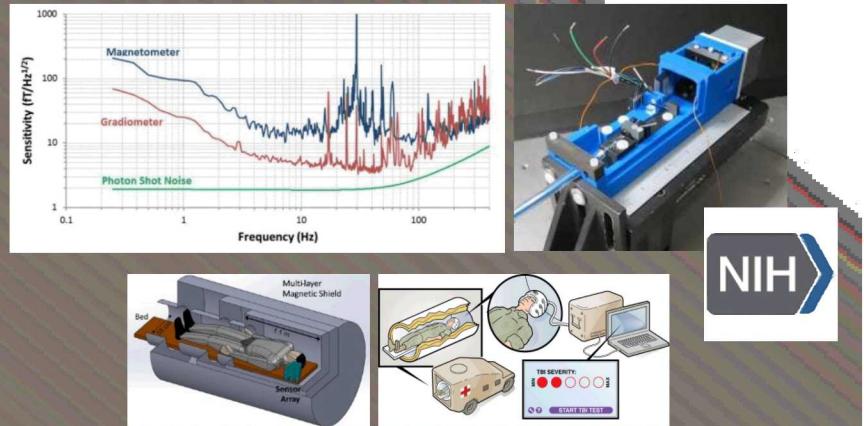
# Quantum Sensing

## Atomic Clocks

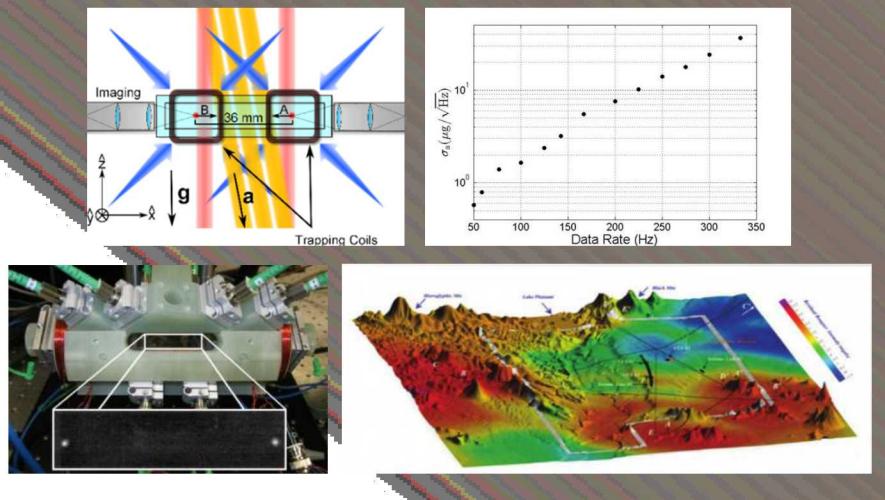
Maximized Precision and Stability  
Minimized Volume and Power



## Atomic Magnetometry for Magnetoencephalography

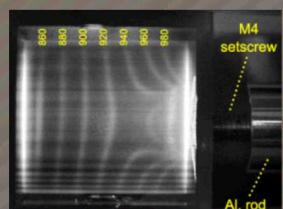
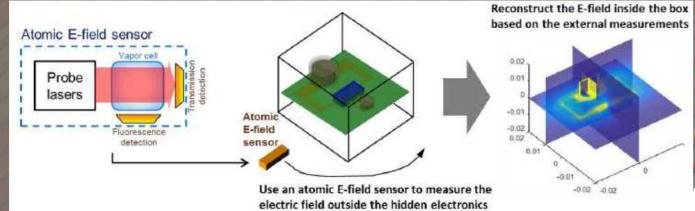


## Atom Interferometry



## Field Sensing

Rydberg atom based electric field sensing



Passive magnetic field sensing

Fescenko, I., Weis, A. "Imaging magnetic scalar potentials by laser-induced fluorescence from bright and dark atoms," *Journal of Physics D*, 47, 235001, (2014).

# Quantum Communication & Networking

## Photonic quantum states have broad security applications

Heisenberg Uncertainty Principle → Measuring a quantum state changes the state

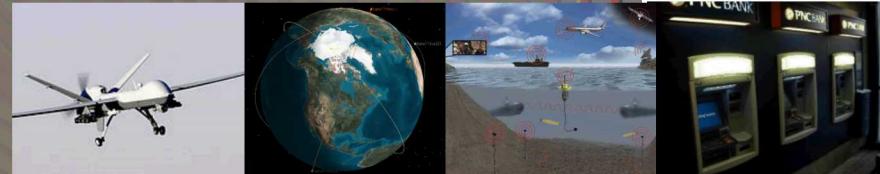
Photons are robust, environmentally unaffected → Transmittable over distances (ms to kms)

### Secure Communication



Chip-based Quantum Key Distribution and Rotation with the One Time Pad (OTP) protocol is Unconditionally Secure

### Authentication



Digital Signatures: Trusted Couriers, Hybrid Networks (Satellite, Ship-Ship-Plane), Smartphone & ATM Networks (Banking, Hospitals, Telecommunications)

### Distributed Computing, Sensing, and Time Synchronization



### Physical Security and Use Control

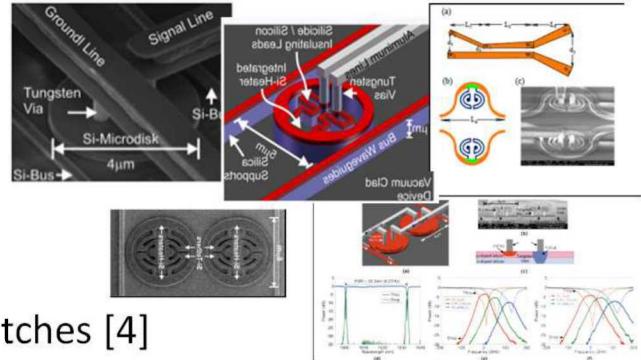


# Technical Capabilities: Si Photonics

## Sandia's Leadership in Si Photonics

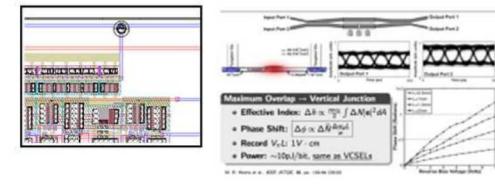
### Best In Class Devices

- Lowest energy (3.2 fJ/bit) 12 Gb/s optical modulator [1]
- Low-voltage, compact broadband phase modulators and  $2 \times 2$  thermo-optic switches [2]
- Full C-band tunable second-order filters [3]
- Fastest (2.4 ns) reconfigurable  $2 \times 2$  wavelength selective switches [4]
- Ultra-low V- $\pi$  length product of < 1V-cm in a 23 GHz broadband Mach Zehnder modulator [5]
- Among the highest speed (45 GHz) Germanium on Si detectors [6]



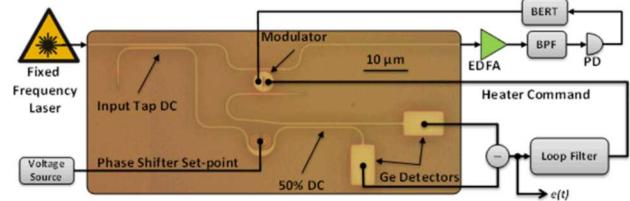
### Unique Device Integration and Fabrication

- Homogeneous integration of Si photonics with rad-hard CMOS7 [7]
- Flip-chip bonding with advanced CMOS circuits and minimal parasitic capacitance [8]
- 1<sup>st</sup> reported measurement and analysis of uniformity of manufactured resonant wavelength [9]

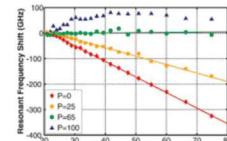


### System-Level Research and Control-Circuits

- Integration of a micro-heater, sensor with modulator for thermal stabilization [10]
- Balanced Homodyne locking of resonant filters [11]
- Bit Error rate locking of resonant microdisk modulators [12]
- Integrated Optical Phased Locked Loop [13]
- 4 x 10 Gbps silicon microdisk modulator transmitter



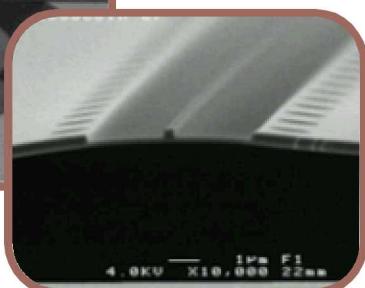
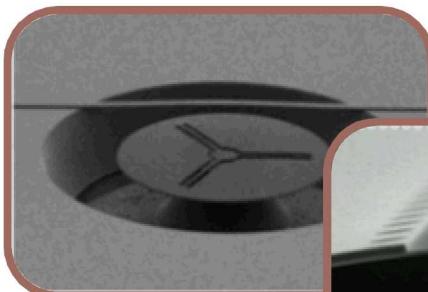
### Large IP Portfolio (> 20 patents and Technical Advances filed)



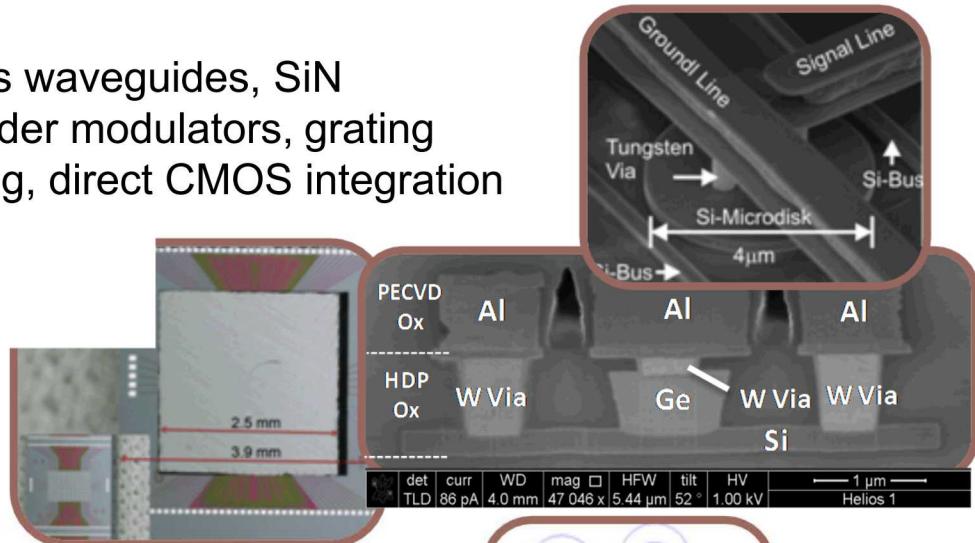
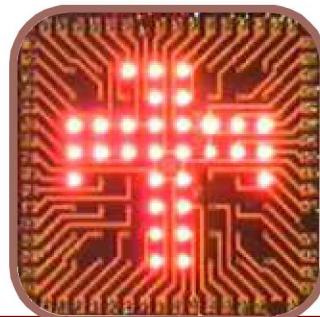
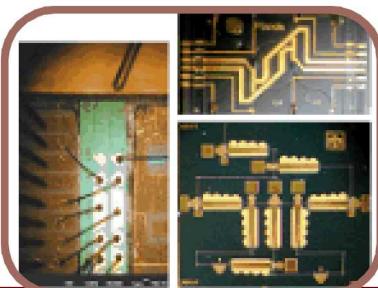
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## Integrated Photonics at Sandia

- Low energy modulators, detectors, low loss waveguides, SiN edge couplers, travelling wave Mach-Zehnder modulators, grating couplers, advanced CMOS flip chip bonding, direct CMOS integration
- Suspended Si/SiN waveguides/resonators phononic/photonic crystals, aluminum nitride resonators and transducers.

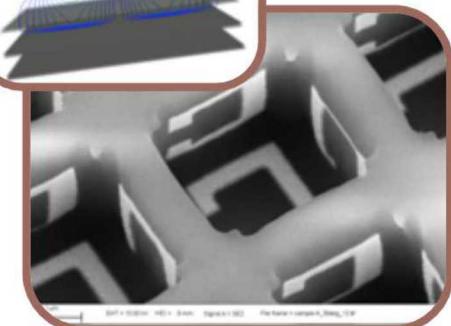
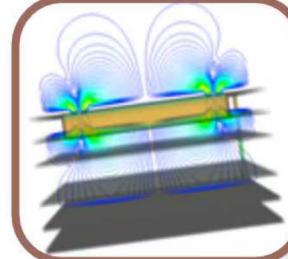
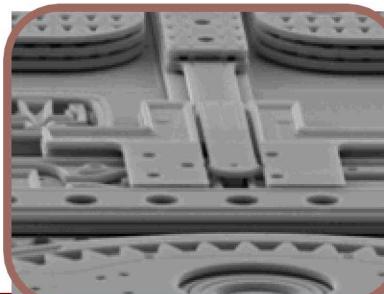


- Compound semiconductor devices and fabrication



- Near to long wave IR plasmonics and metamaterial based devices.

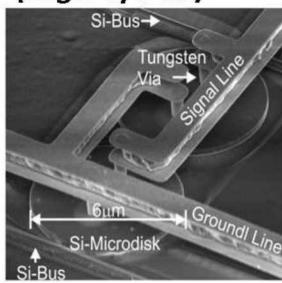
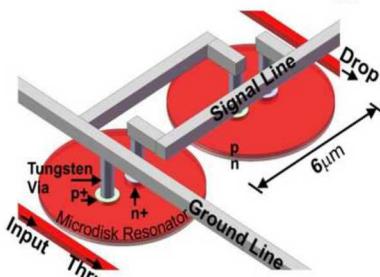
- 5 layer poly silicon MEMS process



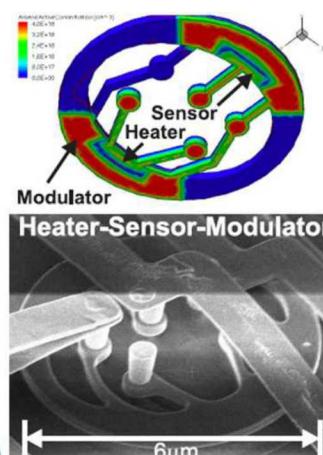
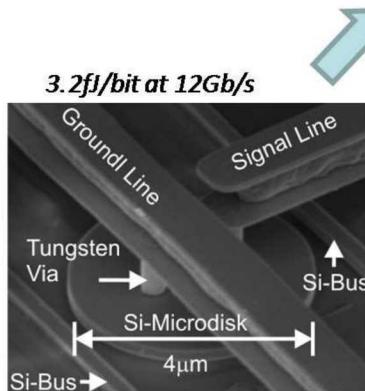
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## Sample devices and integration capabilities

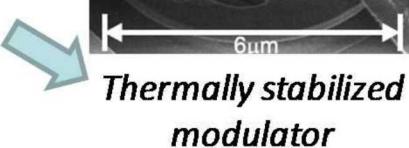
### Free-carrier Effect (high-speed)



### Fast Reconfigurable Interconnects



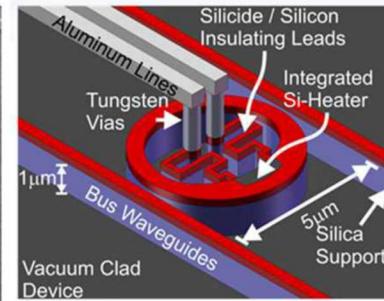
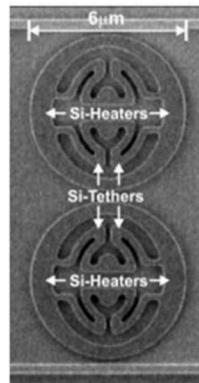
### Resonant Optical Modulator/Filter



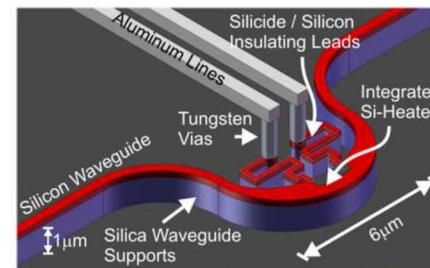
### Broadband Mach-Zehnder Filter/Switch

<1V-cm at 10 Gb/s

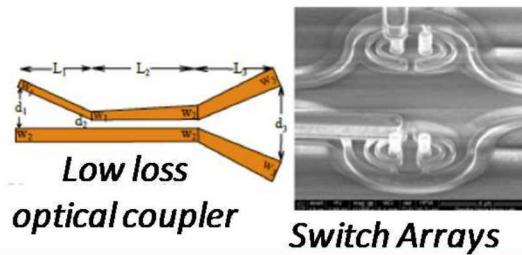
### Thermal Optic Effect (wide-band)



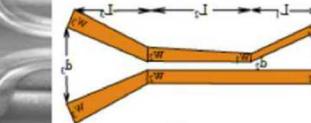
### Tunable Resonant Filter



### Thermo-optic Phase Shifter

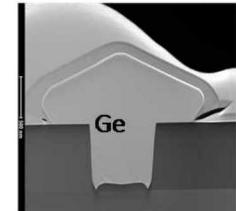


### Low loss optical coupler

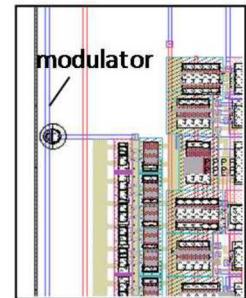


### Switch Arrays

### High-speed Ge Detector in Si



### Si Photonics-CMOS Integration



# Investments in Quantum Information Sciences

- LDRD: Integral to Sandia's QIS R&D strategy



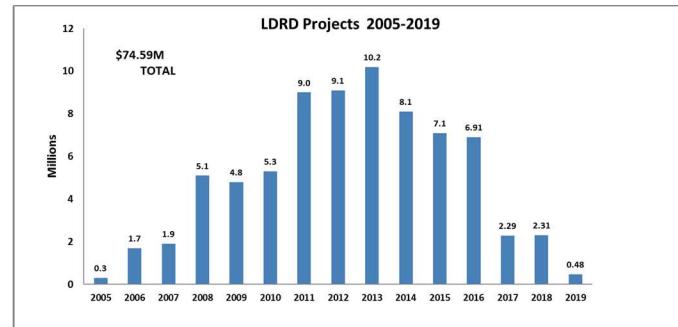
**FY08 – FY10**  
Si-based qubits



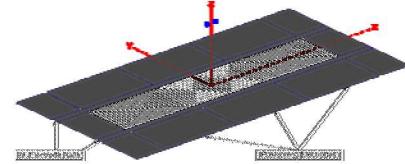
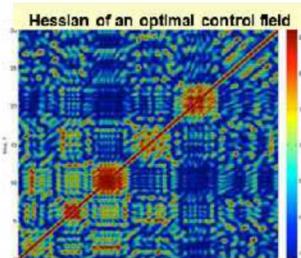
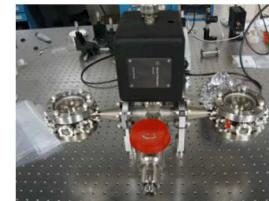
**FY11-FY13**  
Architectures



**FY14-FY16**  
Comms/QKD



- *Build foundational capabilities while exploring novel, high risk areas*
- Focus on the engineering challenges of QIS
- \$77.5M investment, FY05-20
- Essential vehicle for academic collaborations
- Broad and deep portfolio, spanning many facets of QIS:
  - **Qubits:** physical qubit development, logical qubit design, entanglement, noise modeling, design tools
  - **Quantum engineering:** architectures, robust controls for quantum gates, on-chip microwave control of ion traps, tomography (GST)
  - **Algorithms/apps:** demonstration of few-qubit apps, algorithm design
  - **Simulation:** design toolkits, error correction threshold simulators
  - **Comms:** QKD, photon source development, single photon detectors
  - **Sensing:** Precision location and time for NW and DOD needs



**Key Outcome: Integrated, cross-SNL, multidisciplinary QIS team / program**

# External Partnerships

***Sandia's Quantum Information Science program is rooted in collaborations:***



# ***Questions?***

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