

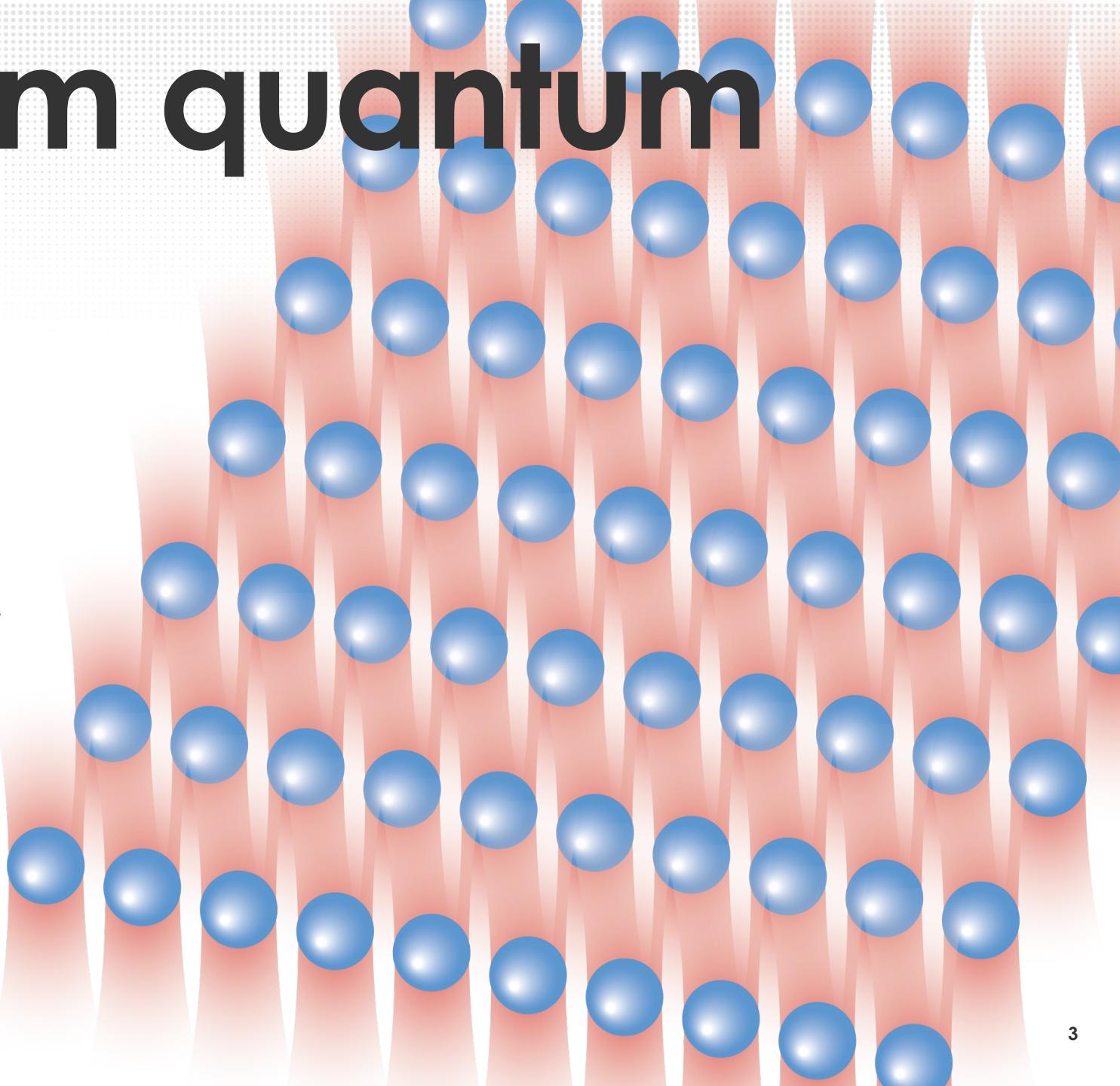
# SESSION I: BASICS

# House rules (if you want to get the most of this activity)

- Videos on
- Mics muted (unless want to speak)
- Interrupt facilitator as much as possible! (raise hands or unmute and speak at will)

# Neutral-atom quantum processor

- Densely packed qubits (atoms)
- Efficient qubit control
- Flexible problem encoding
- New ways to think quantum computing!

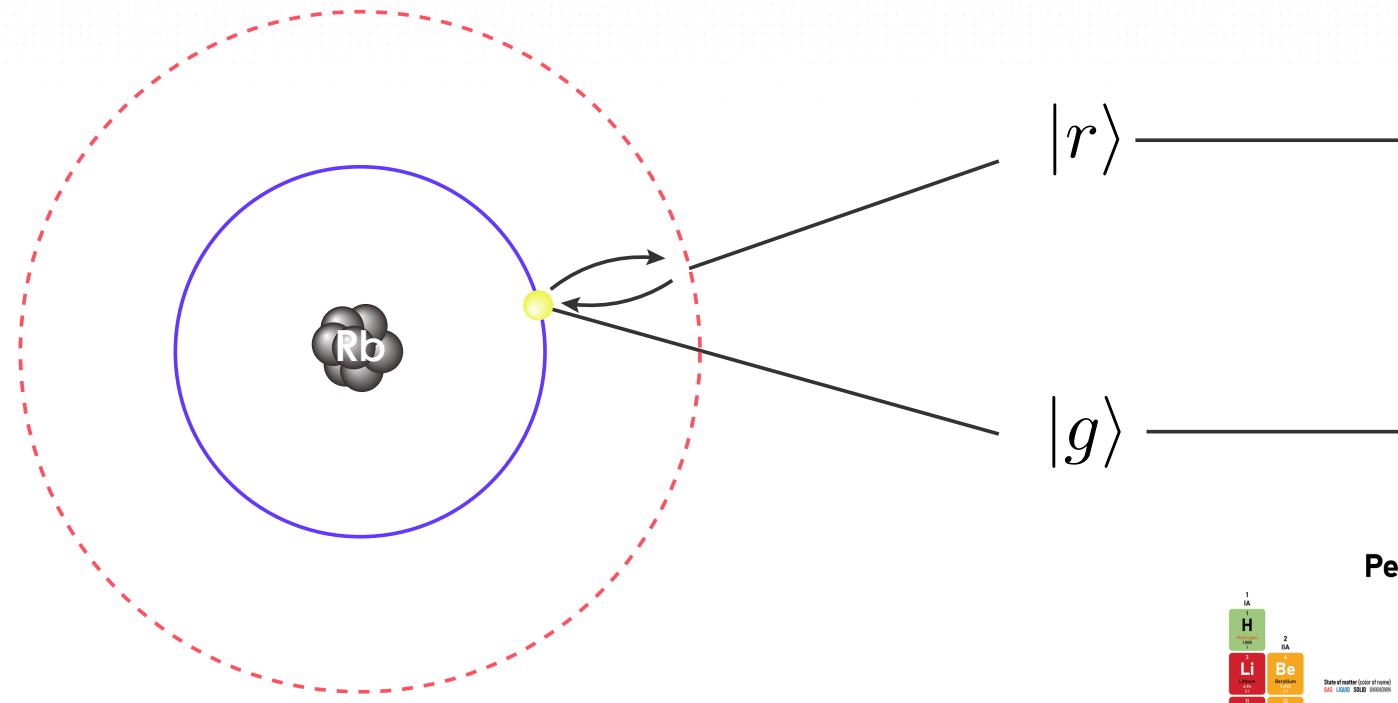


# Today's story (LO's)

**By the end of the workshop, you will be able to:**

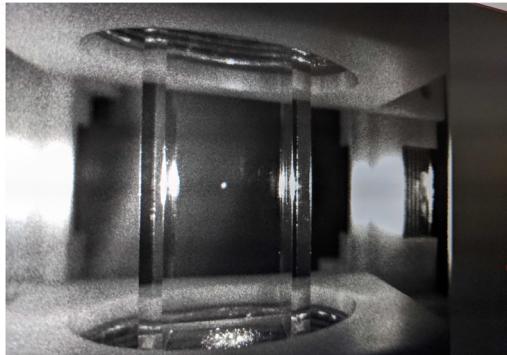
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# Qubits by puffing atoms



# The routine

Load MOT in 20-40ms



Load 60% of traps

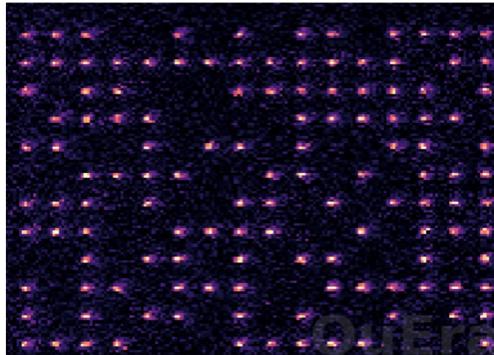
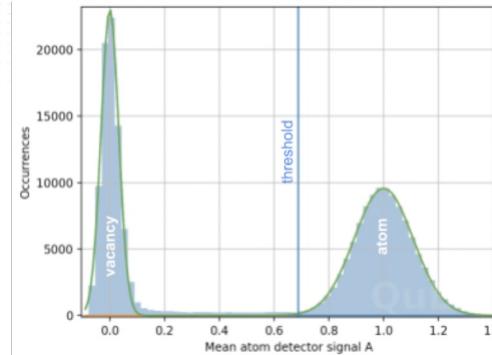
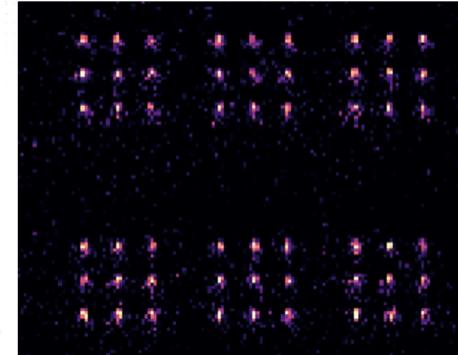


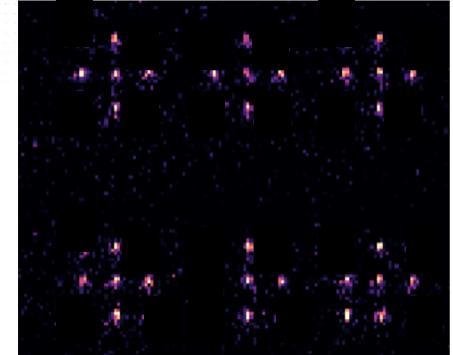
Image in 5ms



Sorting in ~30 ms



Results



QPU

CPU

build seq

data to devices

load MOT

load tweezers

img a

sort

img e

init

QC

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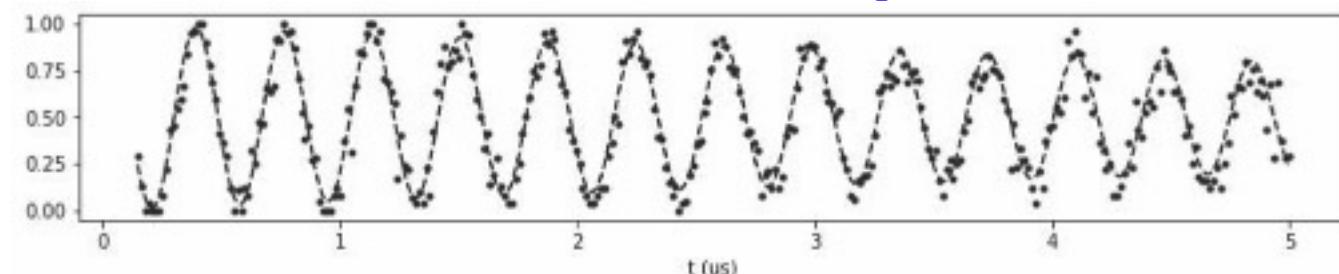
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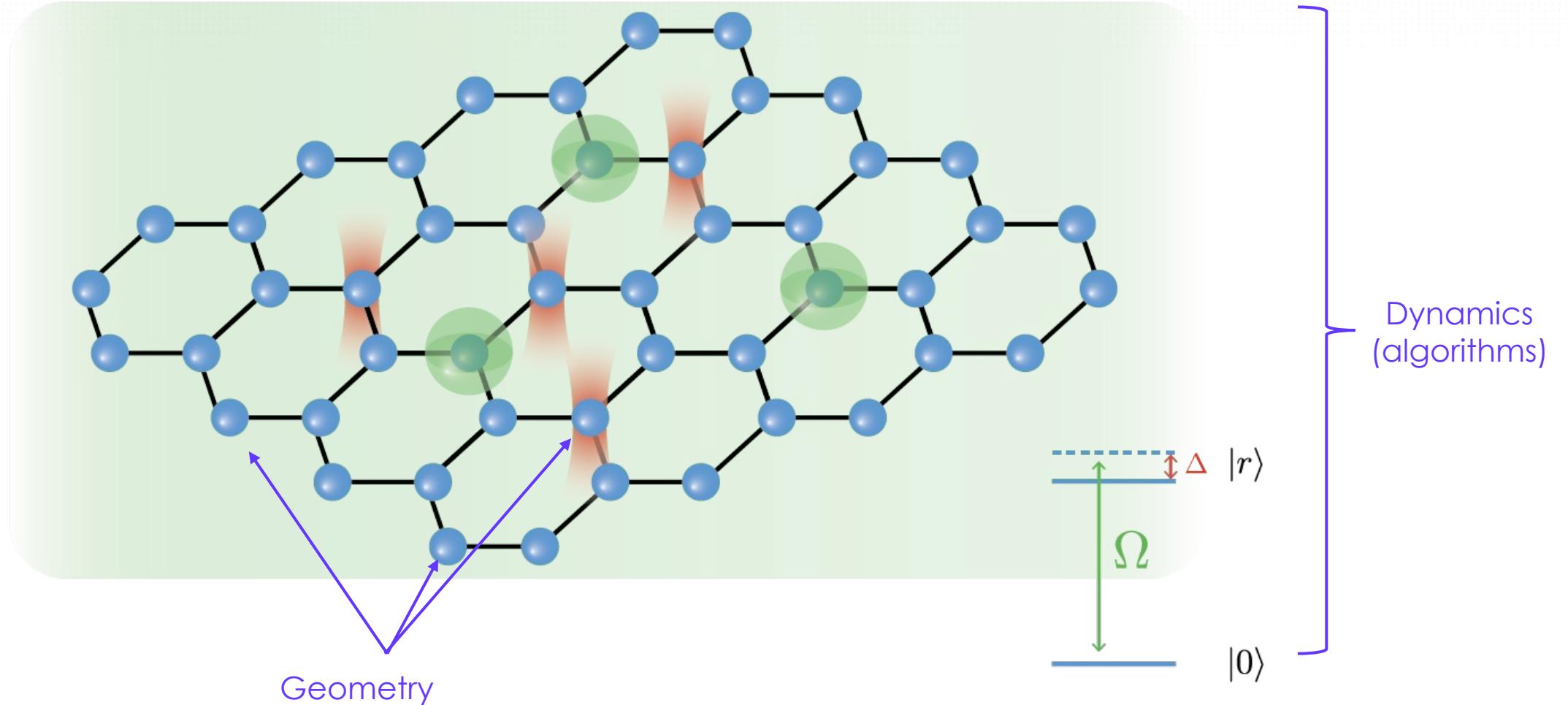
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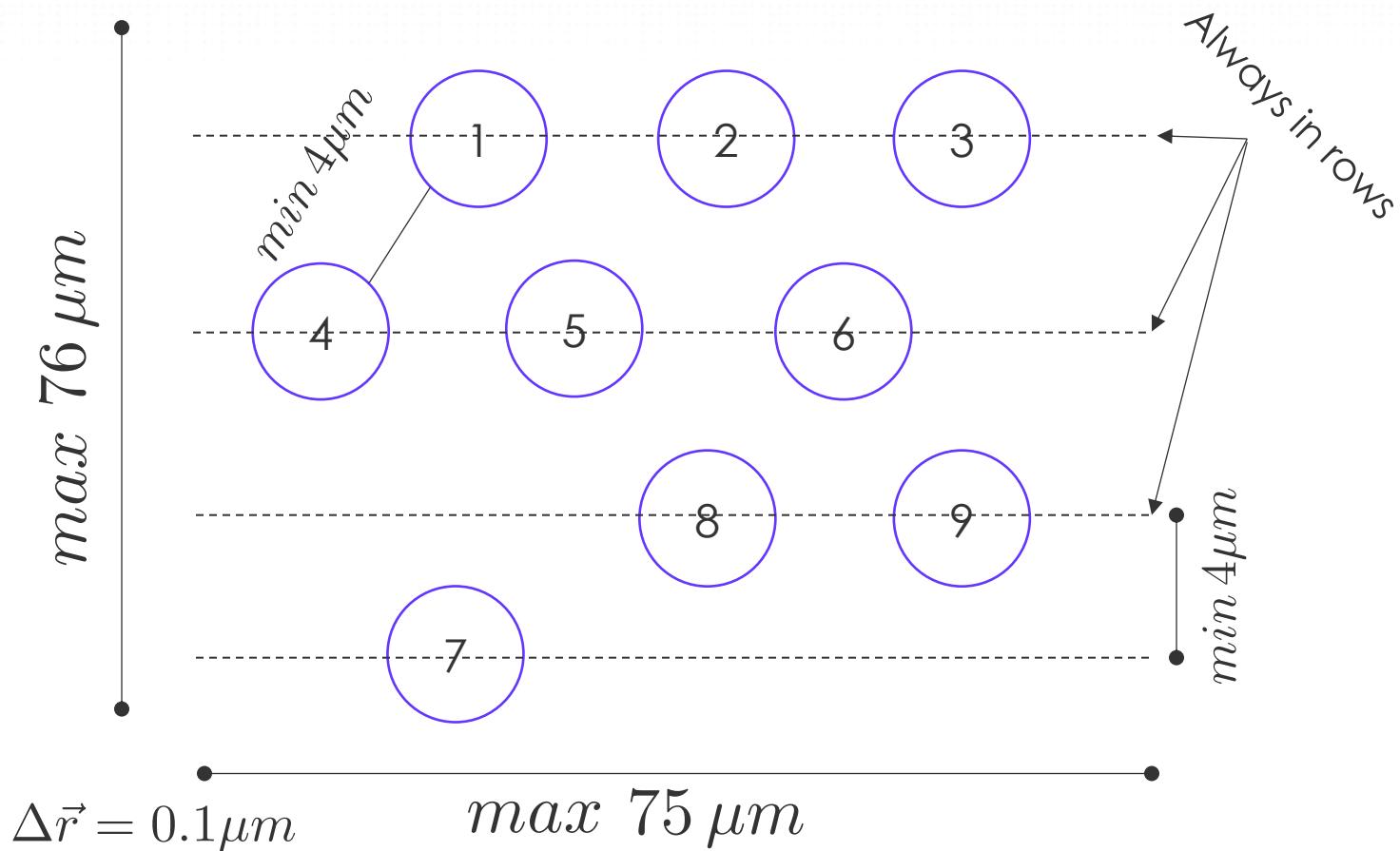
i proc j



# A neutral-atom quantum processor



# Hardware constraints: Geometry

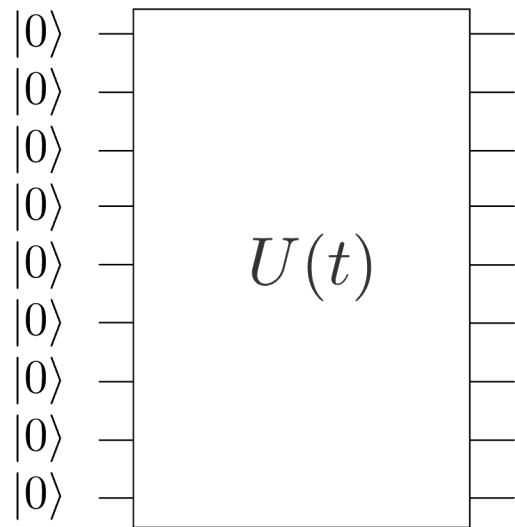


Activity 1: Think-pair-share. What do you think is the origin of each of these constraints?

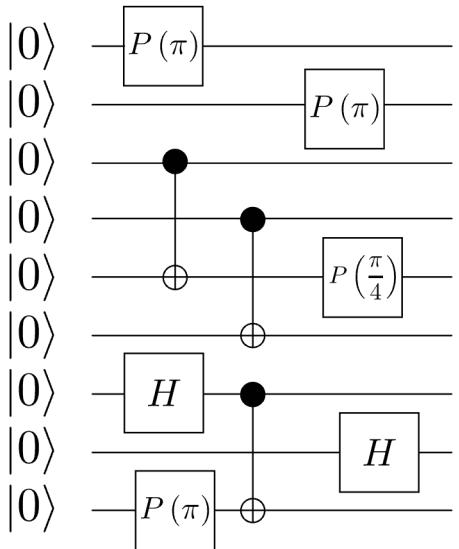
Activity 2: defining qubit positions on Bloqade

# Information processing: Analog computing

Analog operation



Digital operation



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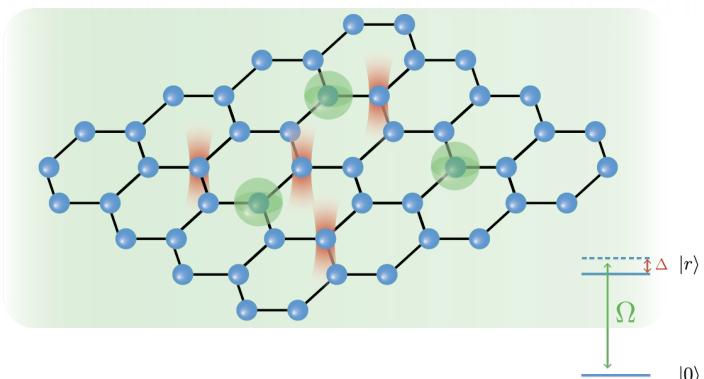
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More on analog processors:  
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# Field Programmable Qubit Arrays (FPQAs)

## Analog operation

A quantum circuit diagram. On the left, eight horizontal lines represent qubits, each labeled with the state  $|0\rangle$ . These lines enter a rectangular box representing a unitary operator  $U(t)$ . The output of this box consists of eight horizontal lines, also each labeled with the state  $|0\rangle$ .



# Control qubit positions! Control qubit connectivity!

## ⇒ Many possibilities!

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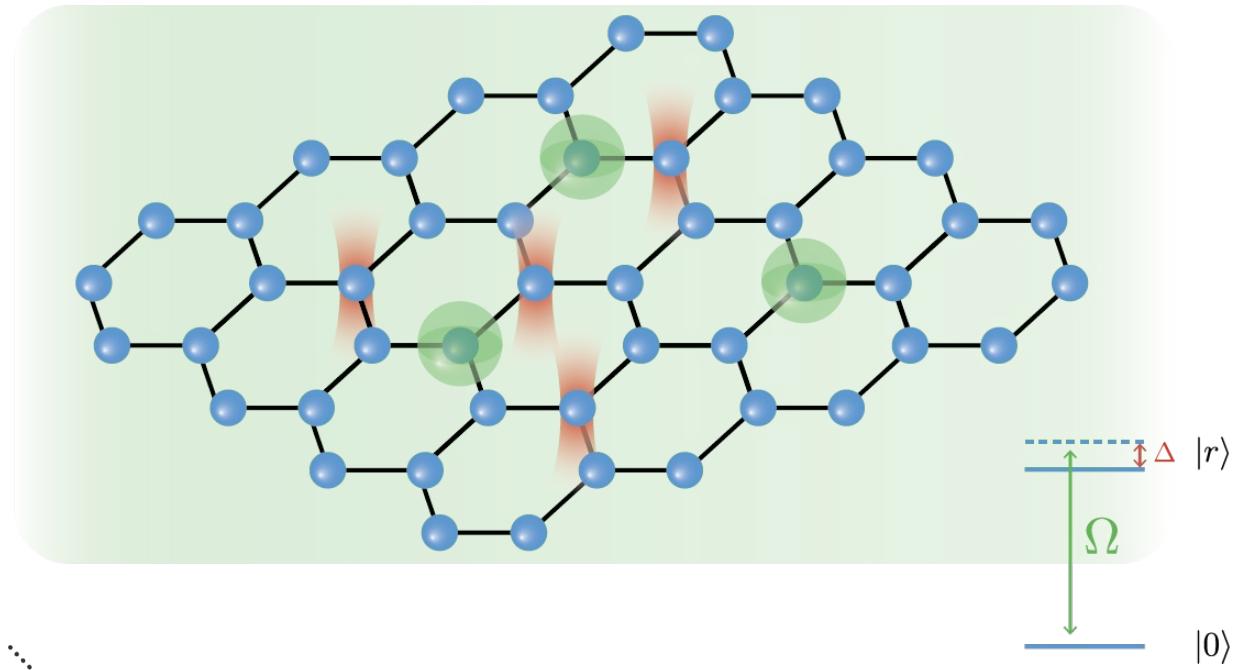
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# Algorithm = time evolution

$$i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |\psi\rangle = \boxed{H} |\psi\rangle$$

# Analog quantum dynamics control

$$H = \sum_i \frac{\Omega(t)}{2} (e^{i\phi(t)} |g_i\rangle\langle r_i| + e^{-i\phi(t)} |r_i\rangle\langle g_i|) - \sum_i \Delta(t) n_i + \sum_{i < j} V_{ij} n_i n_j$$



$$n_i = 1 * |r_i\rangle\langle r_i| + 0 * |g_i\rangle\langle g_i|$$

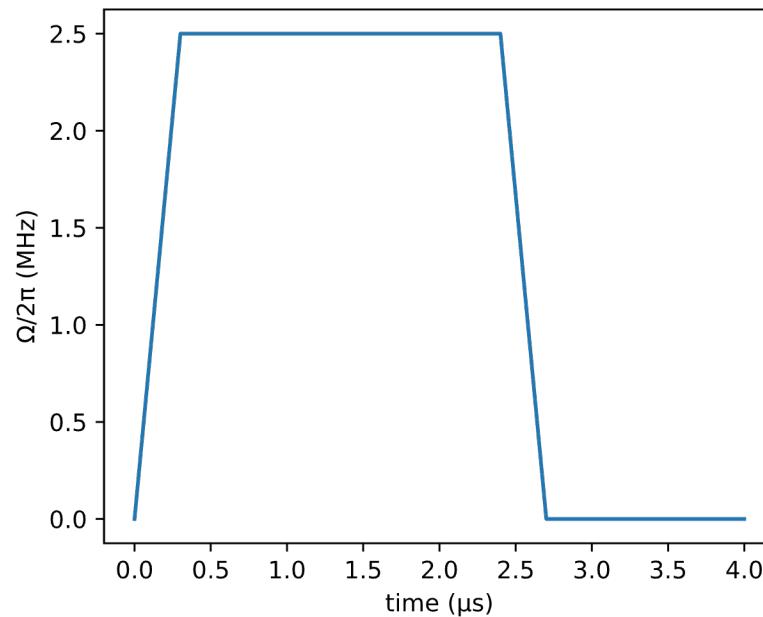
$$V_{ij} \sim d_{ij}^{-6}$$

# Hardware constraints: dynamics

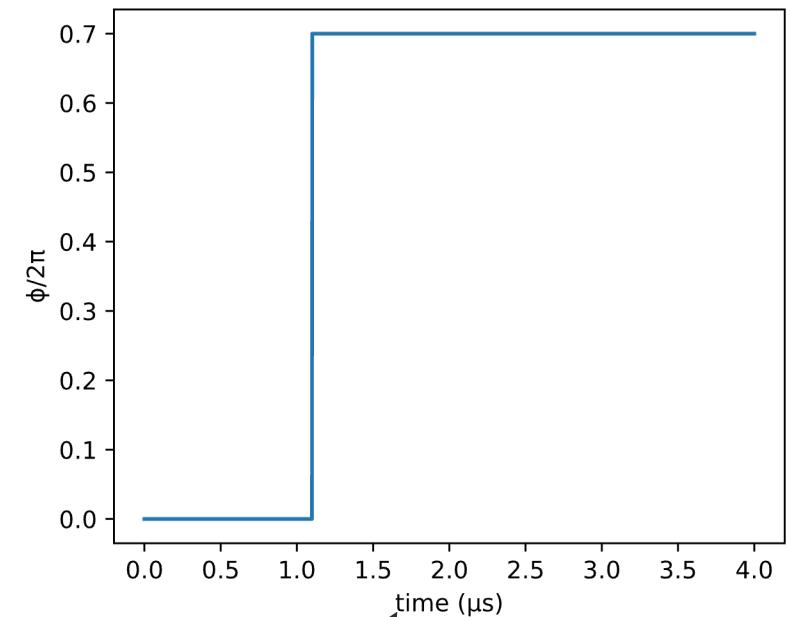
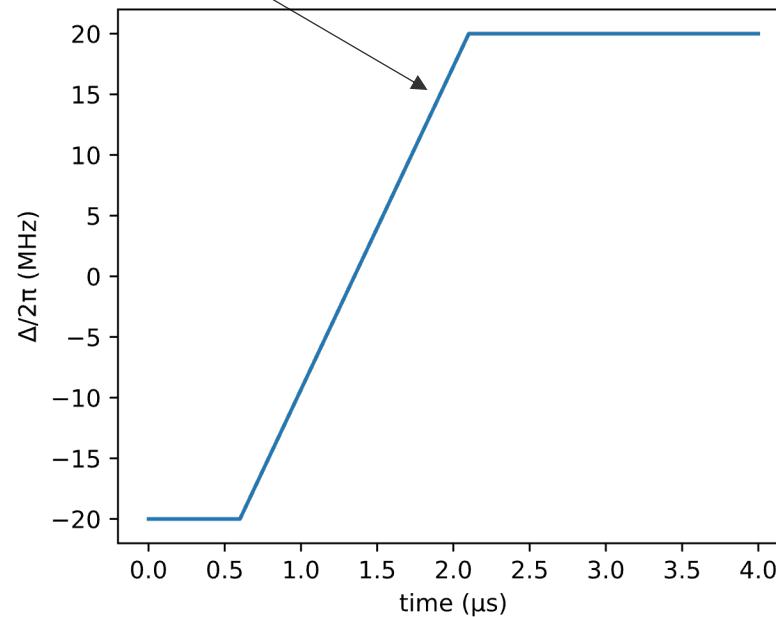
Activity: encoding waveforms on Bloqade

Piecewise-linear

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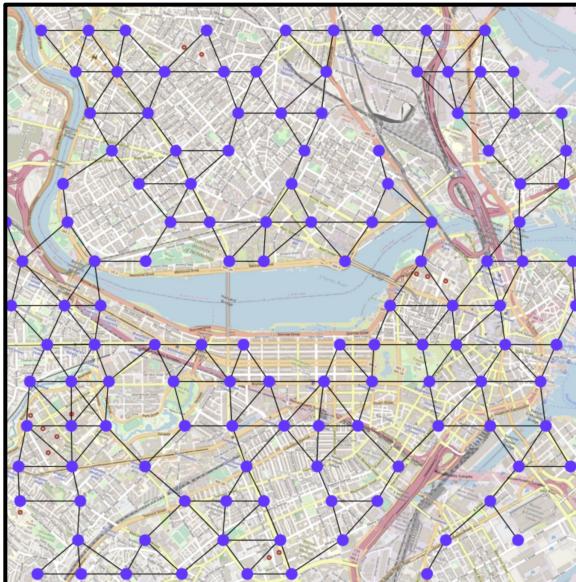


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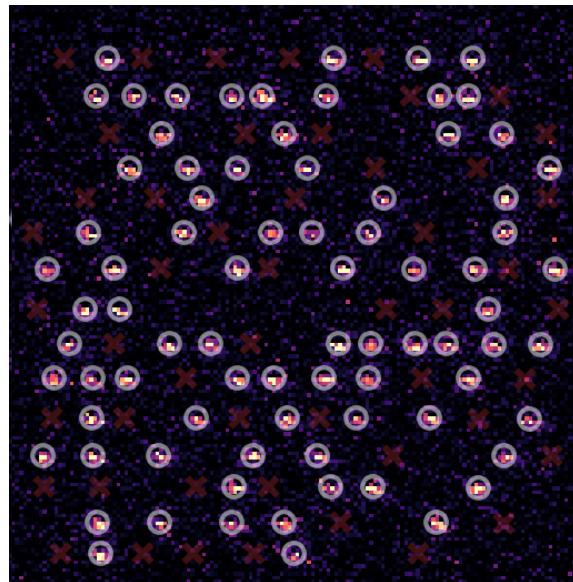


# FPQA = Efficient Problem Encoding

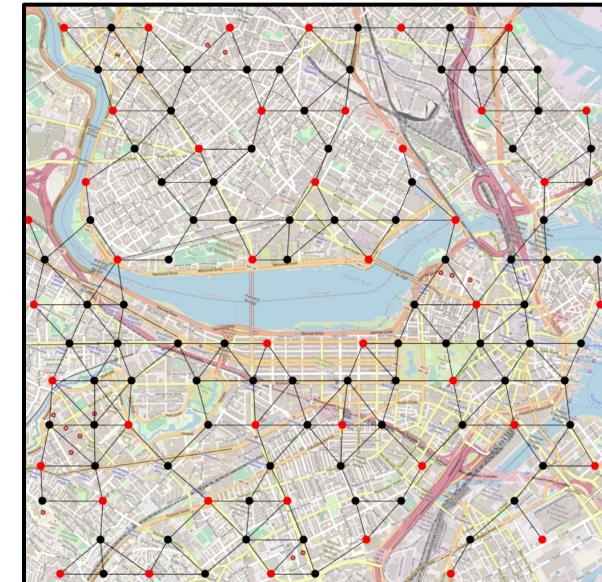
Choose possible locations



Create an atomic twin

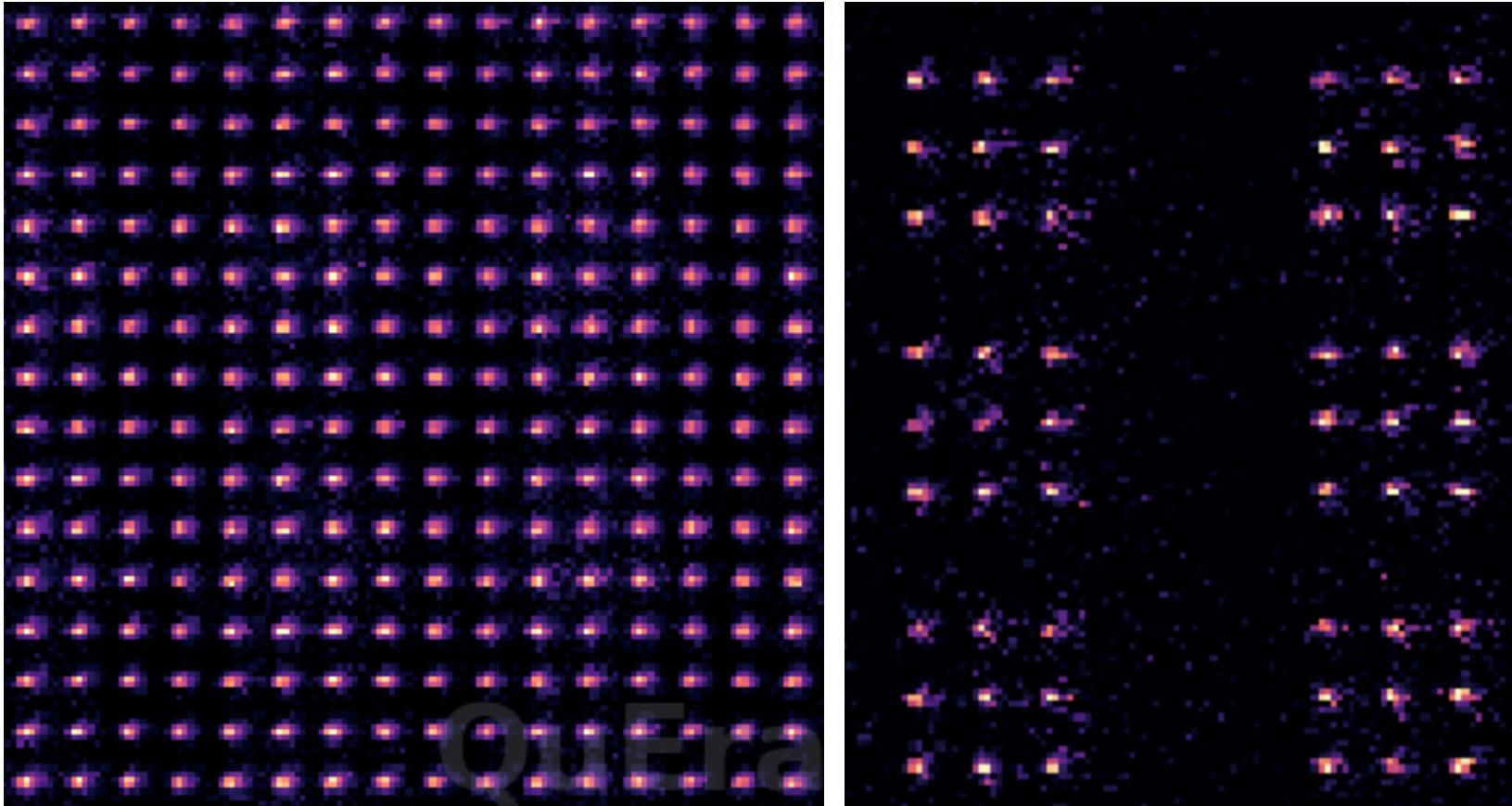


Excite atoms to find answer!

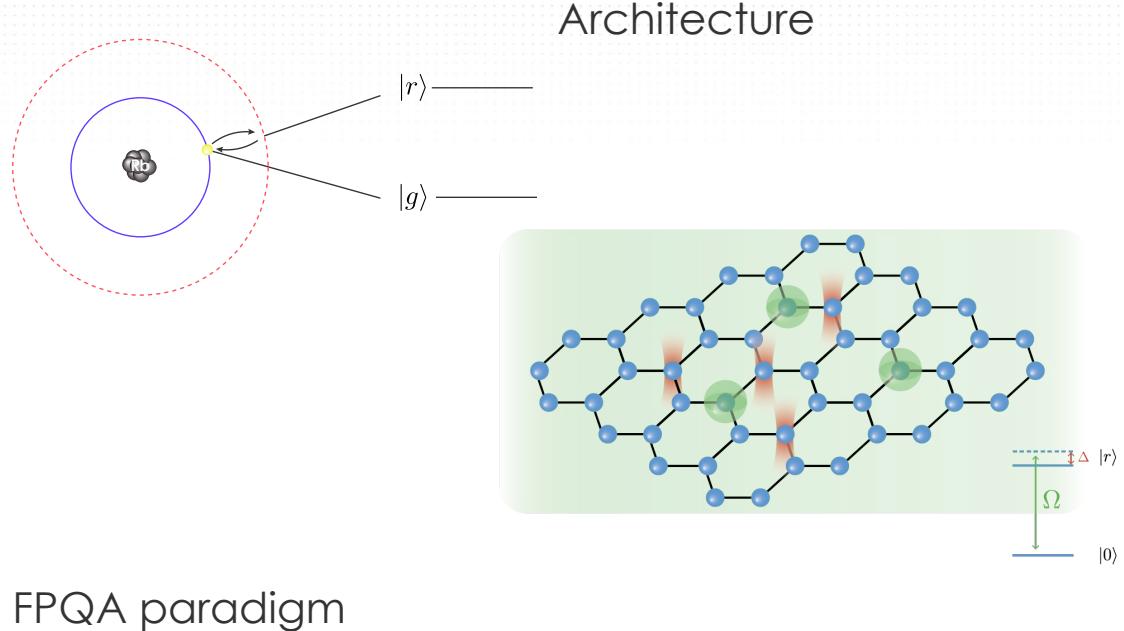


How to optimally cover Boston with coffee shops?

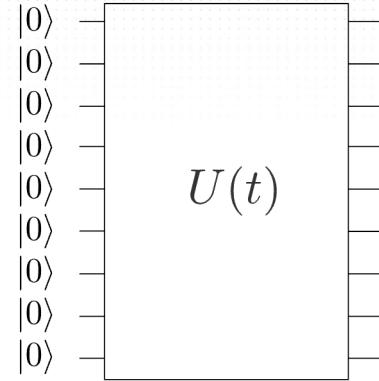
# FPQA = Parallelization



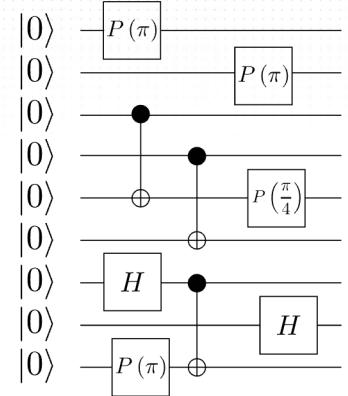
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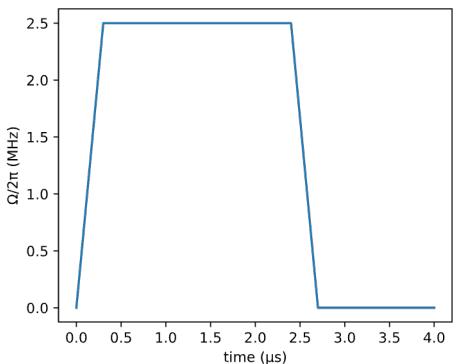
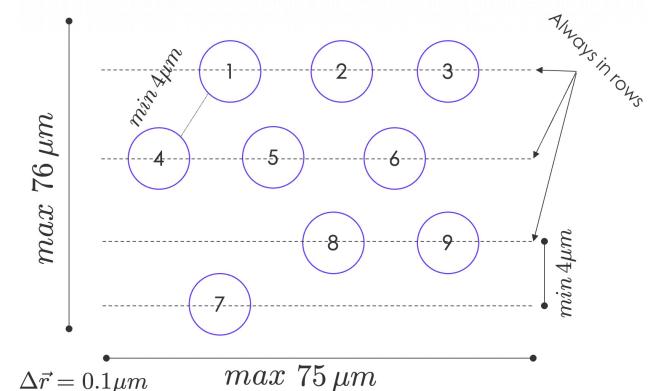
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