

# Travis L Scholten

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## EDUCATION

### University of New Mexico

PH D PHYSICS

2012 August - 2018 September

MS PHYSICS

2015 June

### California Institute of Technology

BS PHYSICS

2008 August - 2012 June

## ASSOCIATIONS

2019-present: IEEE

2015-present: American Physical Society

## OTHER EXPERIENCE

2022 - present: Board of Directors,  
Unitary Fund

2020 - 2022: Advisory Board member,  
Unitary Fund

2021: Co-organizer, Open Quantum  
Hardware Workshop @QCE21

2020: Lead organizer, Quantum Software  
Workshop @QCE20

2016-2017: Vice-Chair, UNM GPSA  
Finance Committee

## SKILLS

### Programming

Python • numpy • pandas  
git/GitHub • Jupyter notebook •  
seaborn • Airtable

### Communication

25 talks • 3 posters • 2 podcasts • 3 panels  
Invited speaker IQT 2019  
2020 IEEE Quantum podcast  
Quantum Computing Now podcast

## AWARDS

2017: Brian E Colón Exemplary Service  
Award: UNM GPSA

2016: Excellence in Ethics Award  
UNM GPSA

## EXPERIENCE

### IBM Quantum | Quantum Applications Architect

2021 August - present | Yorktown Heights, NY

Establish cross-organization collaborations & ensure transparency/legibility of research activity with external organizations

### IBM Quantum | Quantum Computing Applications Researcher

2018 October - 2021 July | Yorktown Heights, NY

Work with startups and industry partners in the IBM Quantum Network on joint research and development and other technical projects.

### Sandia National Laboratories | Student Intern

2013 May - 2018 September | Albuquerque, NM

PhD research in quantum characterization, verification, and validation specializing in model selection, hypothesis testing, and machine learning techniques.

### University of New Mexico | Teaching Assistant, Physics & Astronomy

2012 August - 2013 May | Albuquerque, NM

### California Institute of Technology | Tour Guide

June 2011 - June 2012 | Pasadena, CA

### California Institute of Technology | Summer Undergraduate Research Fellow

2011 June - 2011 September | Pasadena, CA

## PUBLICATIONS

Google Scholar Page

6. **Kernel Matrix Completion for Offline Quantum-Enhanced Machine Learning.** Annie Naveh, Imogen Fitzgerald, Anna Phan, Andrew Lockwood, & [Travis L. Scholten](#). *arXiv* 2112.08449

5. **Analyzing the Performance of Variational Quantum Factoring on a Superconducting Quantum Processor.** Amir H. Karamlou, William A. Simon, Amara Katabarwa, [Travis L. Scholten](#), Borja Peropadre, & Yudong Cao. *npj Quantum Inf* **7**, 156 (2021)

4. **Gate Set Tomography.** Erik Nielsen, John King Gamble, Kenneth Rudinger, [Travis L. Scholten](#), Kevin Young, & Robin Blume-Kohout. *Quantum* **5** 557

3. **Application-Motivated, Holistic Benchmarking of a Full Quantum Computing Stack.** Daniel Mills, Seyon Sivarajah, [Travis L. Scholten](#), & Ross Duncan. *Quantum* **5** 415

2. **Classifying Single-Qubit Noise Using Machine Learning.** [Travis L. Scholten](#), Yi-Kai Liu, Kevin Young, & Robin Blume-Kohout. *arXiv* 1908.11762

**Towards Scalable Characterization of Noisy, Intermediate-Scale Quantum Information Processors.** [Travis L. Scholten](#). PhD thesis; available via UNM Digital Repository

1. **Behavior of the Maximum Likelihood in Quantum State Tomography.** [Travis L. Scholten](#) & Robin Blume-Kohout. *New Journal of Physics* **20** 023050