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

2020 - present: Advisory Board member, Unitary Fund
2017: Organizer, CQuIC Computing Workshop
2016-17: Vice-Chair, GPSA Finance Committee
2015-17: GPSA Council Representative, Physics and Astronomy

SKILLS

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

Communication
23 talks • 3 posters• 2 podcasts • 2 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
2015: Student Research Grant UNM GPSA
2014: Student Research Grant UNM GPSA

EXPERIENCE

IBM Quantum
Quantum Applications Architect
2021 August - present | Yorktown Heights, NY

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.

- Completed 2 research projects with IBM Quantum Startup Program members & 1 Quantum Network Partner
- Presented 20+ technical talks to C-suite and technical audience

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
Taught undergraduate labs and helped with a graduate level course.

California Institute of Technology | Summer Undergraduate Research Fellow
2011 June - 2011 September | Pasadena, CA
Research project on adiabatic quantum computation.

PUBLICATIONS

Google Scholar Page

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, and Yudong Cao. *arXiv* 2012.07825

4. **Gate Set Tomography**. Erik Nielsen, John King Gamble, Kenneth Rudinger, Travis L. Scholten, Kevin Young, and Robin Blume-Kohout. *arXiv* 2009.07301

3. **Application-Motivated, Holistic Benchmarking of a Full Quantum Computing Stack**. Daniel Mills, Seyon Sivarajah,Travis L. Scholten, and Ross Duncan. *Quantum* **5** 415; *arXiv* 2006.01273

2. **Classifying Single-Qubit Noise Using Machine Learning**. Travis L. Scholten, Yi-Kai Liu, Kevin Young, and 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 and Robin Blume-Kohout. *New Journal of Physics* **20** 023050; *arXiv* 1609.04385