



# Error Mitigation With Mitiq

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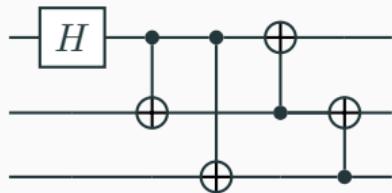
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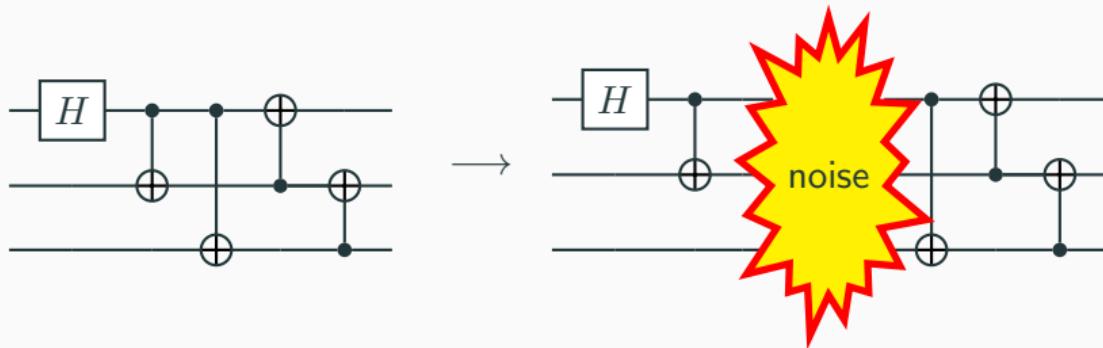
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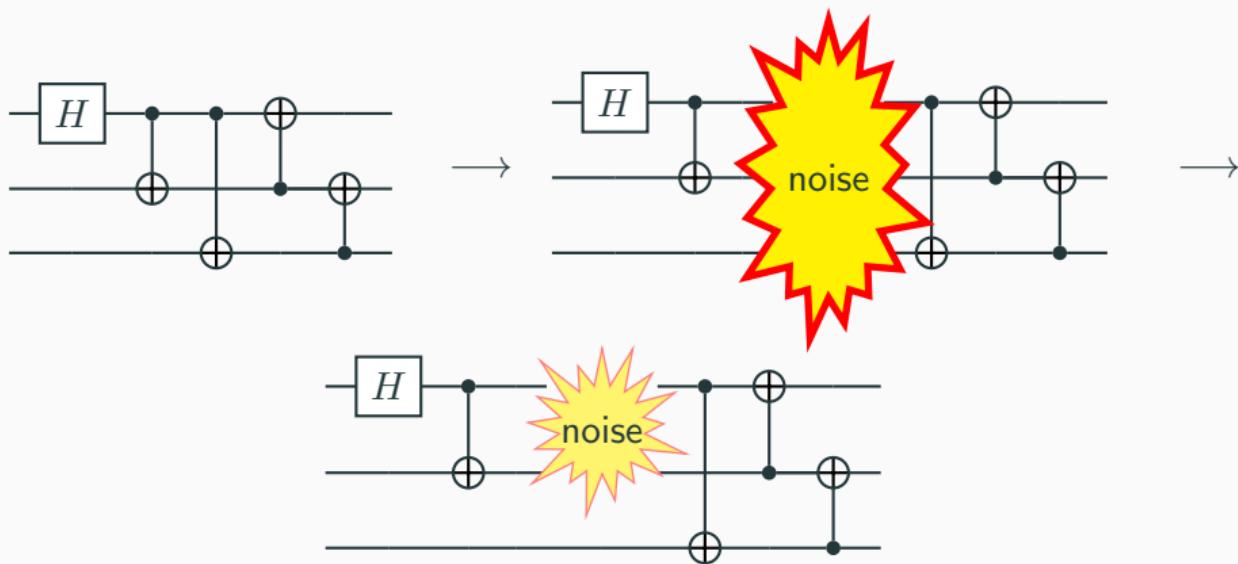
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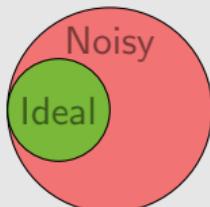
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# QEM Methods

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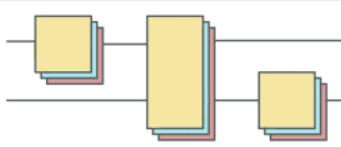
## Symmetry-based techniques



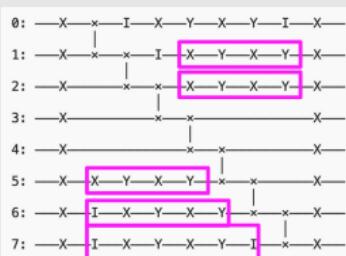
$$M |\psi\rangle = |\psi\rangle$$

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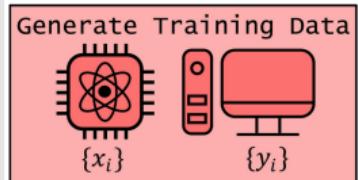
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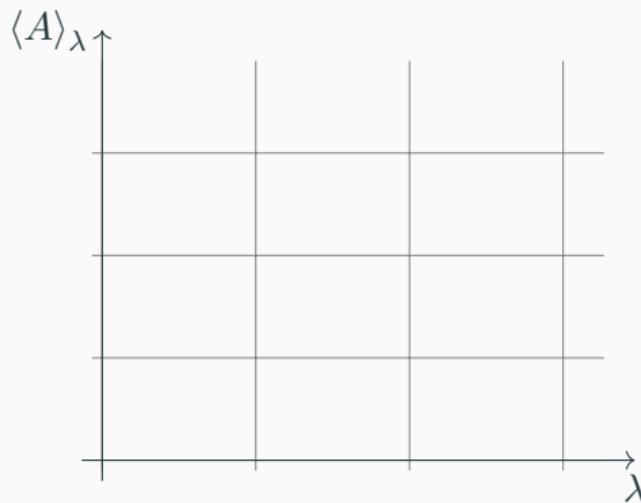
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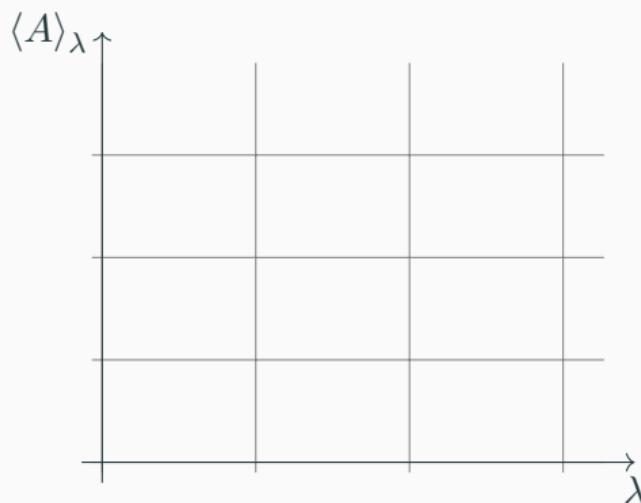
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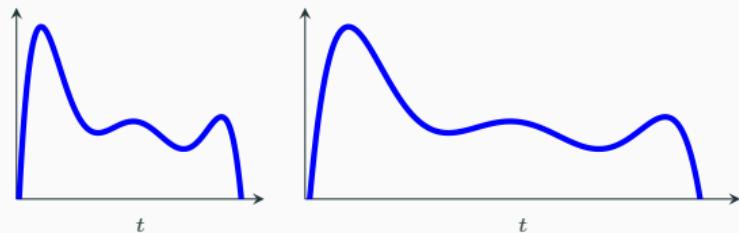
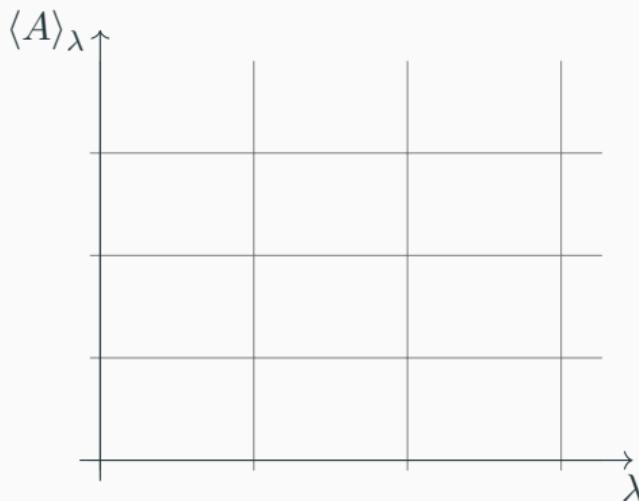
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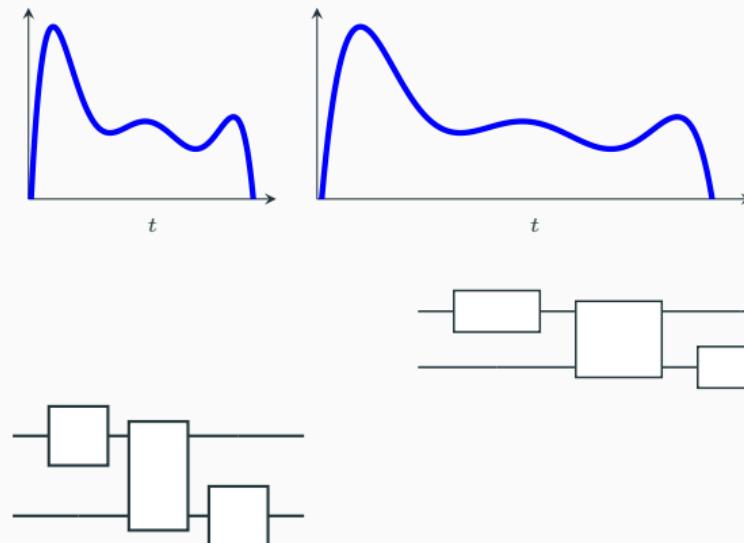
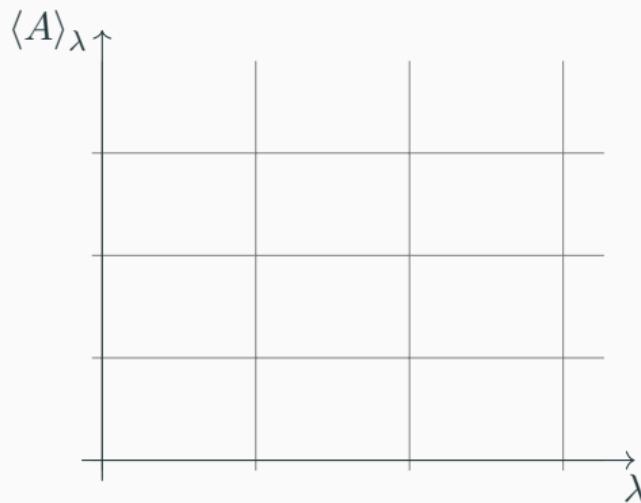
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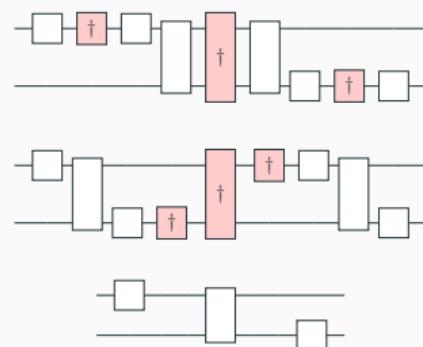
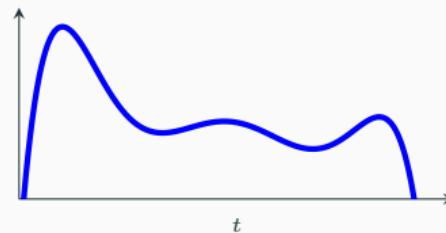
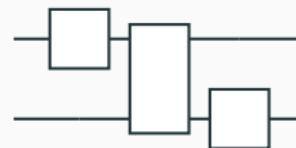
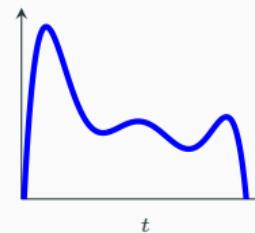
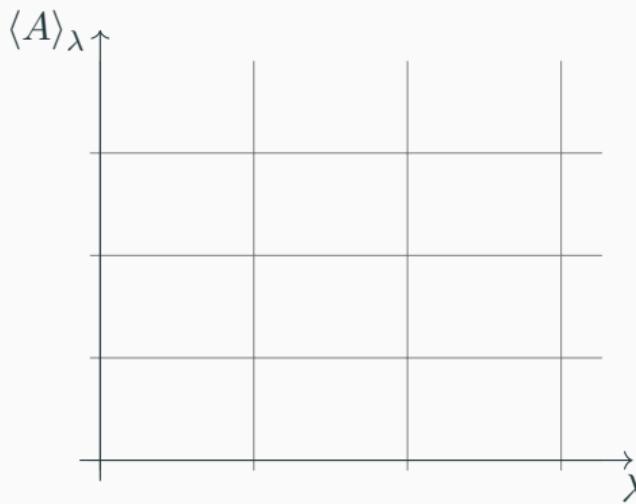
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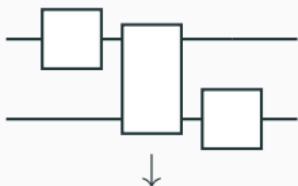
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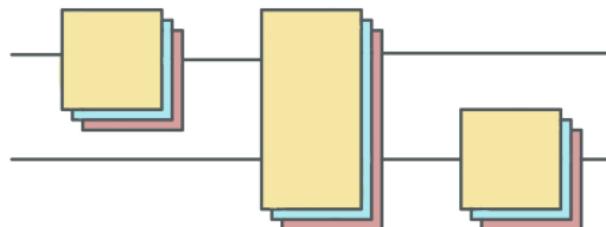
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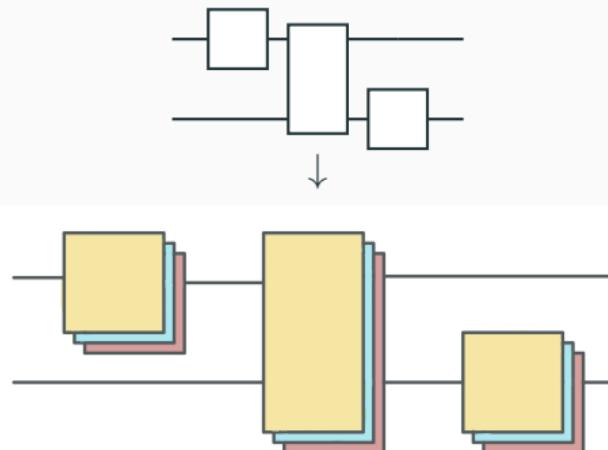


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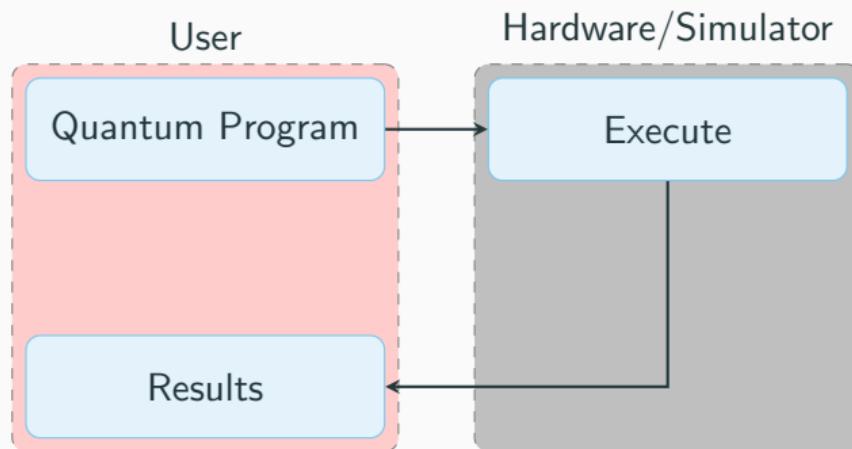


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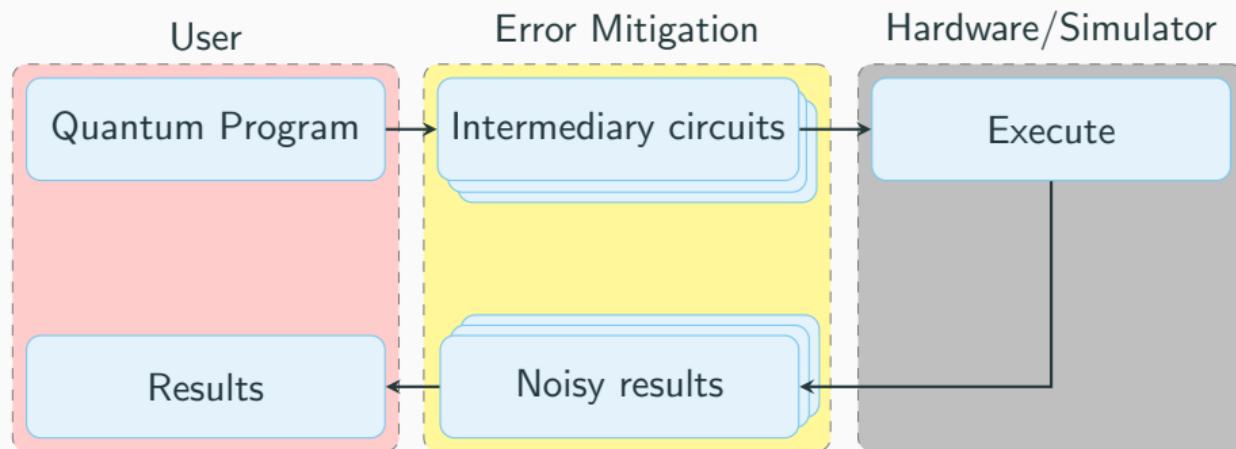
$$\langle A \rangle_{\text{PEC}} = \frac{\gamma}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M \sigma_i \langle A \rangle_i$$

- $\mathcal{O}_i$ : implementable operations
- $\sigma_i$ : Sign of  $i^{\text{th}}$  circuit
- $M$ : # of circuits
- $\gamma$ : overall negativity (product of representation one-norms)

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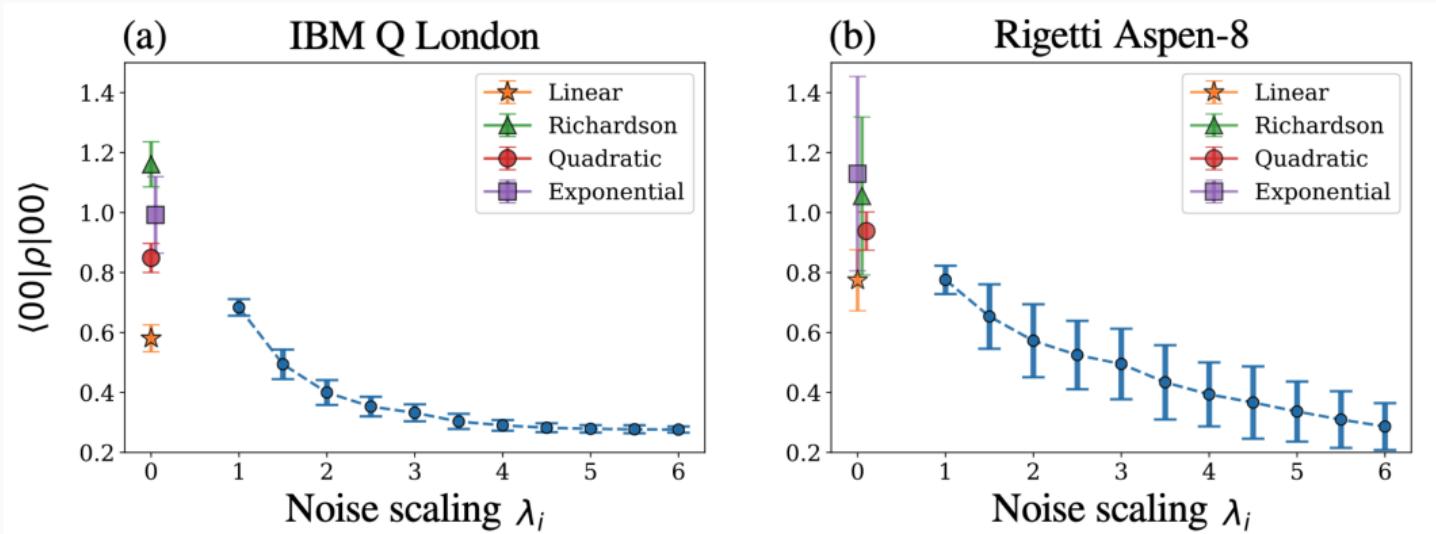


# Mitiq: Demo!

<https://mitiq.readthedocs.io/>



# Does it work?



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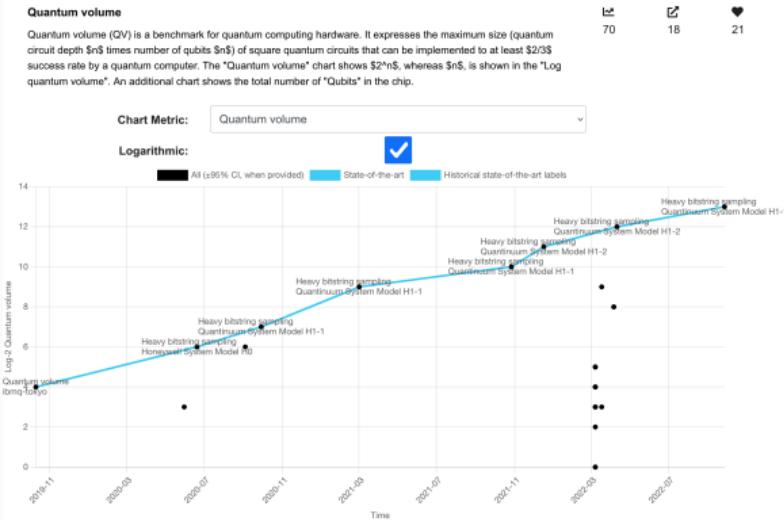
## Microgrant Program:

- 68 Microgrants awarded
- 23 countries
- 16+ publications
- 30+ libraries, ~6k commits
- 2 startups, 2 nonprofit

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- UnitaryHACK
  - 30 participating projects
  - 66 bounties (with cash prizes)
  - Look out for news on UnitaryHACK 2023!
- <http://discord.unitary.fund>
  - Community calls for projects: Mitiq, QIR Alliance, QuTiP, OpenQAOA



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## Summary

- QEM is a growing field of research working towards better results for existing quantum computers.
- ZNE and PEC are promising, and easy to use techniques.
- Mitiq can provide out-of-the-box support for running quantum programs with QEM.
- Unitary Fund is helping grow the quantum open-source community and ecosystem.

**Thank you!**