Topic 2: Constructing Functional Quantum Computers

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The discussion will focus on three questions:

- 1. What are the key technological hurdles to be overcome?
- 2. What are the most important hardware or algorithmic problems to tackle first?
- 3. (What basic scientific or technological aspects of a quantum computer are still uncertain or debated, and will likely determine the future of this field?

Additional discussion topics could include (but not limited to): system design and operating system development, collaboration between system integrators and key component vendors, and roles of national labs and government agencies.