Quantum Testbed Stakeholder Workshop

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Sandia National Laboratories
Quantum Computing Capabilities and Interests

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**Sandia National Laboratories: Capabilities and Interests Summary**

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<th>Primary Expertise &amp; Interest Areas</th>
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<td><strong>Fundamentals:</strong> atomic and condensed matter physics,</td>
<td><strong>MESA Silicon Fab and Micro Fab:</strong> world-wide supplier of ion</td>
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<td>noise models, photonics, optics, QIS theory</td>
<td>traps and silicon-based dot devices</td>
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<td><strong>Fabrication:</strong> quantum device design/modeling, micro-</td>
<td><strong>Center for Integrated Nanotechnologies (CINT):</strong> device</td>
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<td>electronics fab, packaging, integration, nanotechnology,</td>
<td>testing, materials/devices characterizations, fabrication.</td>
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<td>photonics, failure analysis (including superconducting</td>
<td><strong>A DOE/SC National User Facility</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Quantum Devices:</strong> theory, qubit devices, quantum and</td>
<td><strong>High Performance Computing:</strong> critical enabler for qubit</td>
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<td>classical architectures, error correction, controls, mod/sim,</td>
<td>design/simulation/testing/analysis, data analyses</td>
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<td><strong>Quantum Systems:</strong> algorithms, applications, assessments</td>
<td><strong>Materials Science:</strong> creation/synthesis, prototyping processes,</td>
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<td>measurements, characterization, modeling</td>
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<td><strong>Data Systems:</strong> HPC HW/SW design, operating system</td>
<td><strong>Deep, broad technical base:</strong> foundation from $75M LDRD</td>
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<td>development, date warehousing/analytics/mining, data</td>
<td>investment (2006-2019)</td>
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<td><strong>Infrastructure:</strong> vacuum chambers/systems, dil fridges,</td>
<td><strong>Multidisciplinary, integrated cross-laboratory team:</strong> basic</td>
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<td>cryogenics, mechanical/electronics/optics fab, test</td>
<td>science to engineering to systems integration to outreach/parts-</td>
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<td>facilities</td>
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<td><strong>System and Program Integration:</strong> end-to-end design,</td>
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<td>fabrication, test, operations, analyses from the physical</td>
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Quantum Computing Hardware Capabilities

**SNL Primary Platforms: Trapped Ions and Si-based Dots/Donors**

- **Ions in Microfabricated Surface Traps**
  - Ion trap foundry: multiple designs; Ca, Yb, Mg
    - Delivered to >15 groups, 5 countries
    - IARPA MQCO, LogiQ supplier
  - HOA-2: workhorse platform
    - >100 h trapping time, >5 min w/o cooling (Yb)
    - World-leading fidelities: 1Q $G_X$, $G_Y$, $G_I$ > 99.99%, 2Q Mølmer-Sørensen > 99.5%

- **Si-based Dots/Donors**
  - Double QDs (e$^-$ spin, charge qubits)
  - Coupled QD-donor hybrid (world first):
    - F ~ 99.5%, 2-axis control of electron
    - Exploring extensibility (LDRD)
  - Cryoelectronic amplification for readout (low power, low noise), fidelities ~99.7%
  - Flexible qubit construction platform

- **Extensive theory, design, modeling, simulation tools**

- **Expertise in other qubit systems**
  - Neutral Atoms, Hole spins in GaAs, EONS, Majorana anyons
Quantum Computer Science Capabilities

A Sampling of Sandia’s Capabilities

- **Architectures:** Theoretical and experimental expertise
  - Circuit (CQC), adiabatic (AQC), holonomic, topological
  - Error correction/suppression:
    - CQC: Error corrected logical qubit + optimal scheduling under hardware constraints
    - AQC: World-first error correction schemes with repetition codes; error suppression strategies; Non-equilibrium dynamical models of error suppression / error correction
    - Extensive university collaboration on surface codes, color codes

- **Controls and Noise Modeling**
  - Extensive theory/simulations for ions, traps, Si, neutrals
  - Optimal control, robust control protocols for uncertain qubits

- **V&V:** Gate Set Tomography (GST) and Randomized Benchmarking (RB)
  - GST: characterize/calibrate/debug qubits; detect non-Markovian noise; validate Diamond norm. Many users world-wide, multiple qubit systems
  - pyGSTi – open source GST software – www.pygsti.info

- **Modeling and Simulation:** SNL-designed, open source, and commercial tools
  - Architectures: circuit simulators, threshold simulators, cluster expansion simulators, vector state simulators, complex quantum networks, controls, stochastic quantum systems, noise models, …
  - Si: QCAD, COMSOL, NEMO-3D, valley-aware effective mass theory, strain, …
  - Ions: TRAPSIM (design tool), gate simulators, …

Many tools and capabilities – but with deliberate, tight integration among experiment, theory, design, fabrication, and analysis.
Fabrication and Characterization Capabilities

- **MESA Fabs**: Trusted design, fabrication, packaging, testing – underpinning Quantum Info at Sandia
  - Silicon Fab: CMOS process, custom technologies (e.g. ion traps, Si quantum dots, Si photonics)
  - MicroFab: III-V compound semiconductor fab
  - *Wafer-level to die-level processing*

- **Center for Integrated Nanotechnologies (CINT)**: a DOE User Facility
  - Integration Lab: Clean room with E-beam lithography, photolithography, deposition/etch, SEM/FIB
  - Characterization Lab: SEM/TEM, STM, Si qubit characterization/measurement, transport

- **Special Capabilities**:
  - Atomic Precision Fabrication (CINT): H-lithography for ultimate scale quantum dots and digital electronics
  - Si Photonics: devices thru CMOS integration, cryo SiP
  - Failure analysis: CMOS, superconducting electronics
  - Ion Beam Laboratory: nanolPlanter

- **Materials Science**: creation/synthesis, prototyping processes, measurements, characterization, modeling

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**Co-location with Si foundry**: industrial fab rigor, defect reduction (function and performance), semiconductor yield engineering - **QIS program accelerator**
Capabilities in Engineering and Supporting Technology

Building, operating, upgrading, maintaining the testbed – *providing the user experience* – requires far more than expertise in building and operating qubits.

- Relevant SNL expertise:
  - **Systems engineering and integration**: weapons laboratory heritage
  - **Computational systems**: High Performance Computing (HPC) HW/SW design, operating system development, data acquisition/warehousing/analytics/mining, data and scientific visualization, user interfaces
  - **Codesign**: conventional computing systems
  - **Lasers, Optics, Photonics**: component and system design, fabrication, integration, diffractive optical elements, operations
  - **Electronics**: design (component to circuit to IC to board), fabrication, test, burn-in, yield analysis, failure analysis, integration. *Includes cryoelectronics*
  - **Mechanical**: design, fabrication, test
  - **Infrastructure**: vacuum, pressure, cryogenics, power, environmental control (temperature, vibration, EM field, …)
  - **Testbed design/development/operations**: Advanced Systems Technology Test Beds, National Cyber Range team member
Applications to Domain Science

- **Sandia QIS Vision:** *Institutionalize Quantum*
  - **Mission area problems:** Move from classical to quantum enhanced to quantum solutions
  - **QIS program partnering:** spans Sandia Mission Areas, including Nuclear Weapons, Cyber, Materials, Homeland Security
  - **QIS spin-offs:** near-term “wins” – e.g., Atomic Precision Fab

  *Quantum applications may be mid- to long-term – but we need to be thinking hard about them today*

- **Current Areas of Emphasis at Sandia**
  - Properties of matter in extreme environments
  - Material properties and aging
  - Design of new materials with tailored properties
  - Cyber Security

- **Testbed Major Roles – some preliminary thoughts**
  - **Near term:** gate-based quantum computing (e.g., demos of fault tolerant quantum error correction), probing/characterizing noise and errors
  - **Mid to long term:** Algorithm development/testing – pathfinder scale, but progressively larger / greater realism as testbed advances

*Sandia is engaged in QIS research in support of its missions. This research is motivated by advanced computing architectures and the fact that future engineered systems will require increased understanding of quantum effects.*
Investments in Quantum Computing Technology

- **LDRD:** Integral to Sandia’s QIS R&D strategy

  - **Build foundational capabilities while exploring novel, high risk areas**
  - Focus on the engineering challenges of QIS
  - $74.6M investment, FY05-19
  - *Essential* vehicle for academic collaborations

- **Broad and deep portfolio, spanning many facets of QIS:**
  - **Qubits:** physical qubit development, logical qubit design, entanglement, noise modeling, design tools
  - **Quantum engineering:** architectures, robust controls for quantum gates, on-chip microwave control of ion traps, tomography (GST)
  - **Algorithms/apps:** demonstration of few-qubit apps, algorithm design
  - **Simulation:** design toolkits, error correction threshold simulators
  - **Comms:** QKD, photon source development, single photon detectors
  - **Sensing:** Precision location and time for NW and DOD needs

**Key Outcome:** *Integrated, cross-SNL, multidisciplinary QIS team / program*
Facility Management Experience

- **Center for Integrated Nanotechnologies (CINT)**
  - DOE/Office of Science national user facility: joint SNL-LANL facility
  - Substantial QIS resources: fabrication, measurement, characterization
  - CINT staff: 50% CINT, 50% “other” projects; numerous QIS staff are also CINT staff

- **Combustion Research Facility (CRF)**
  - DOE/Office of Science Collaborative research facility

- **Advanced Systems Technology Test Beds**
  - Part of NNSA’s Advanced Simulation and Computing project

- **Experience in critical and pertinent facility functions:**
  - **Hosting visitors:** academia, industry, government, foreign researchers
  - **High Performance Computing:** data warehousing, remote access, data analysis, data security
  - **Multiple collaboration models:** user agreements, CRADAs, contracts, industrial partnerships
  - **IP protection:** NDAs, CRADAs. Data protection and security. *Critical enabler with private sector*
  - **Student programs:** internships (Intern Institutes), postdoc programs
  - **Continuing education:** ongoing workforce education through internal QIS courses, invited world-class lectures
External Partnerships

Sandia’s Quantum Information Science program is rooted in collaborations: