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# QUANTUM COMPUTING WITH D-WAVE

**An overview of the  
Accenture Quantum  
Program and use  
cases with D-Wave**

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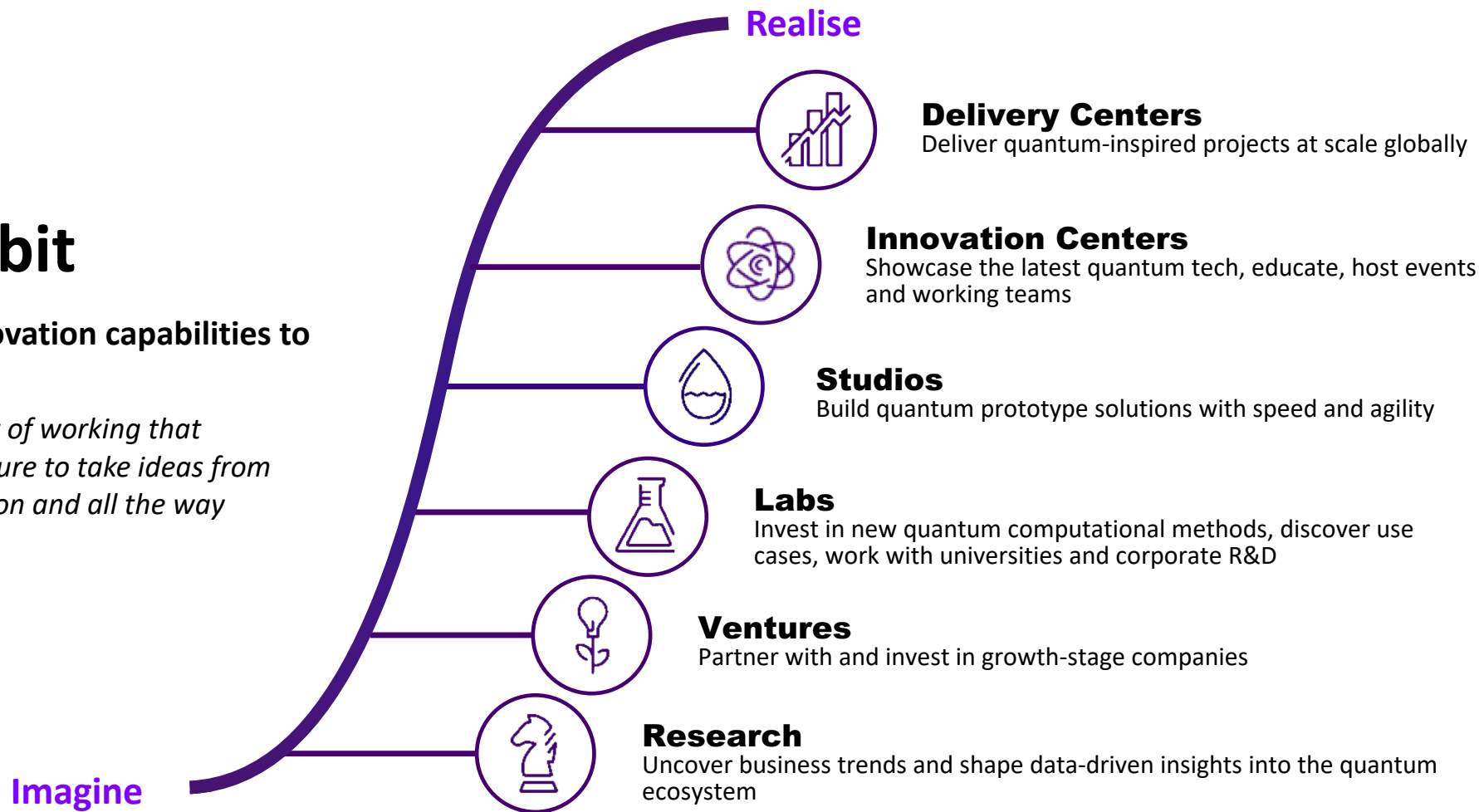
# Setup for Quantum: Leverage the Innovation Architecture

Quantum computing is a journey and having the right information, partners, and talent is key to success. Accenture's Quantum Program is designed around our Innovation Architecture, a proven pipeline for scaling new technologies into market learning assets.

## Qubit by qubit

**Match Accenture's innovation capabilities to your own**

*Our teams foster a new way of working that convenes the best of Accenture to take ideas from initial discovery to co-creation and all the way through scale.*

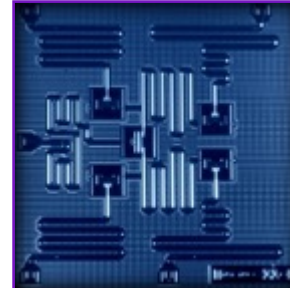
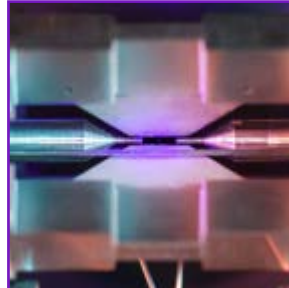
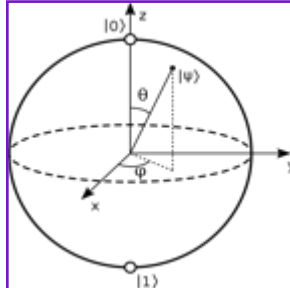


# Work to be proud of: Paving new ground in quantum computing

The Accenture Quantum Program was born from applied research. As quantum computers became accessible for use in the mid 2010's, we have been exploring their practicality against real world scenarios. This has enabled us to create a roadmap for new businesses.

## INNOVATE

with us at the  
Quantum Zone, Labs  
and Liquid Studios

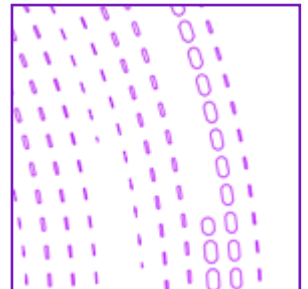


## OFFERINGS

11 differentiated  
quantum offerings

## PROTO- TYPES

10 functional  
cross  
industry  
applications



## PEOPLE

100 contributors  
around the globe

## RESEARCH

150+ use cases,  
3 integration patents

# Differentiation in the Market: Quantum at Scale

Creating useful quantum applications means leveraging the best technology across many parts of the ecosystem and having the right talent at all layers of the stack.

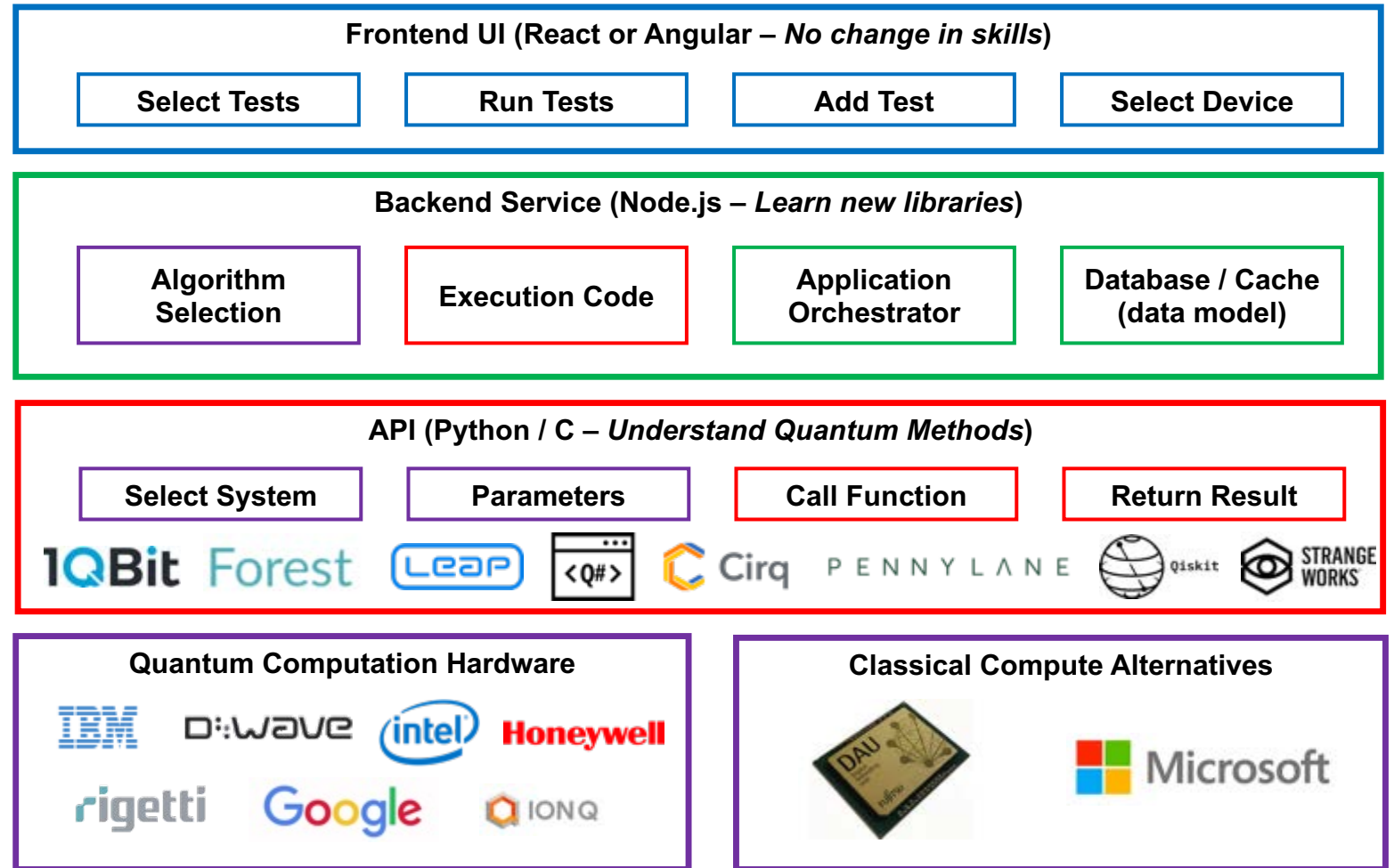
## The Q Stack

### Multidisciplinary approach to quantum development

*Most enterprise's need to focus on the top and middle of the stack, which requires a business methodology rather than a scientific skill set.*

*Preparing for a future in quantum means hiring or partnering for key roles, but mostly educating and training the existing workforce.*

- Industry Expertise
- Delivery Leadership
- Service Designers
- System Architects
- Quantum Integrators
- Quantum Info Scientists



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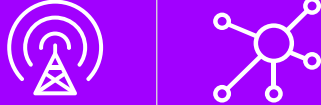



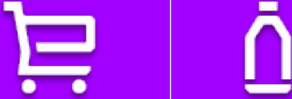













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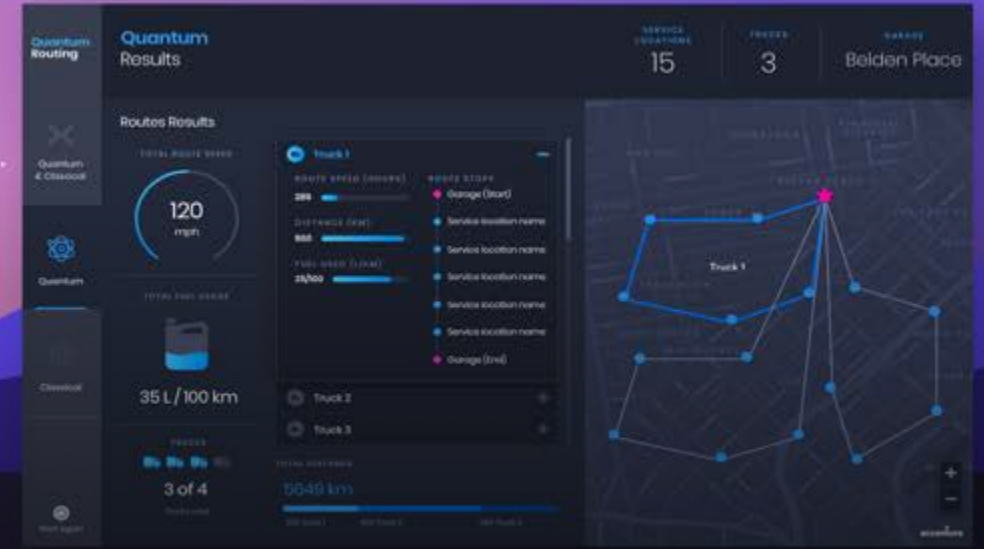
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# When the fundamentals change, everyone is affected

Let's focus on Finance, H&PS and others today from our 150+ use cases impacting these industries next

PRODUCTS	COMMUNICATIONS, MEDIA AND HIGH-TECH	HEALTH AND PUBLIC SERVICES	RESOURCES	FINANCIAL SERVICES
 <b>LIFE SCIENCES</b>	 <b>COMMUNICATIONS &amp; NETWORK PRACTICE</b>	 <b>HEALTH</b> Payers, Providers, Public Health	 <b>CHEMICALS &amp; NATURAL RESOURCES</b>	 <b>BANKING</b>
 <b>RETAIL &amp; CONSUMER GOODS &amp; SERVICES</b>	 <b>MEDIA, ADVERTISING &amp; CONTENT</b>	 <b>PUBLIC SERVICES</b> Safety, Defense, Border Services	 <b>ENERGY</b>	 <b>CAPITAL MARKETS</b>
 <b>AUTOMOTIVE, INDUSTRIAL &amp; TRAVEL</b>	 <b>SOFTWARE &amp; PLATFORMS</b>	 <b>PUBLIC SERVICES</b> Global Cities, Post & Parcel	 <b>UTILITIES</b>	 <b>INSURANCE</b>
	 <b>HIGH TECH</b>	 <b>PUBLIC SERVICES</b> Pensions, Revenue		

# QUANTUM TRUCK ROUTING



Optimization engine that implements Quantum algorithms that solve for the real-time routing of vehicles to geographically diverse service locations. The solution would calculate the shortest route to each of the known service locations given a known set of constraints such as appointment time windows, location and capacity of vehicles and/or time/distance to each location.

## TOOLS

- Simulator and QPU
- Angular
- Node.js
- Scikits learn
- Google & Bing Maps API
- C#

## INDUSTRIES

- Products
- Communications & High-tech
- Health & Public Services
- Resources

## RESULTS



Demonstrate Quantum Computing basics with interactive demo



Successfully calculate optimized routes using quantum computing



Show Classical vs. Quantum results comparison

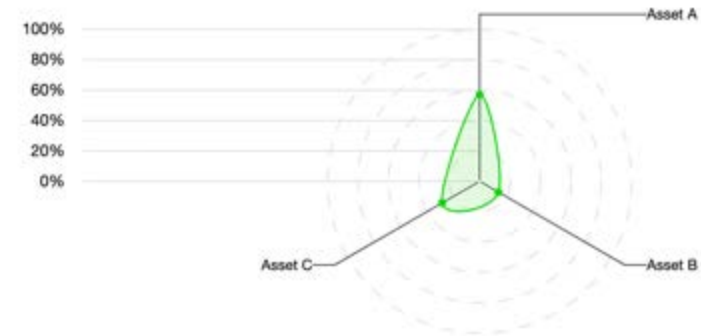


Explain use case with engaging site



# PORTFOLIO OPTIMIZATION

Investment Portfolio



Risk based asset allocation for financial portfolios using historical data. Leverages quantum methods including Variational Quantum Eigensolver and Quantum Approximate Optimization Algorithm, both of which have the potential to efficiently solve optimization problems.

## TOOLS

- Simulator and QPU
- Python
- Angular

## INDUSTRIES

- Financial Services

## RESULTS



### PROBLEM SPECIFICATION

Portfolio assignment on a set of financial assets to maximize the expected return aligning to a choice of risk-aversion



### EXPERIMENT DATA SET

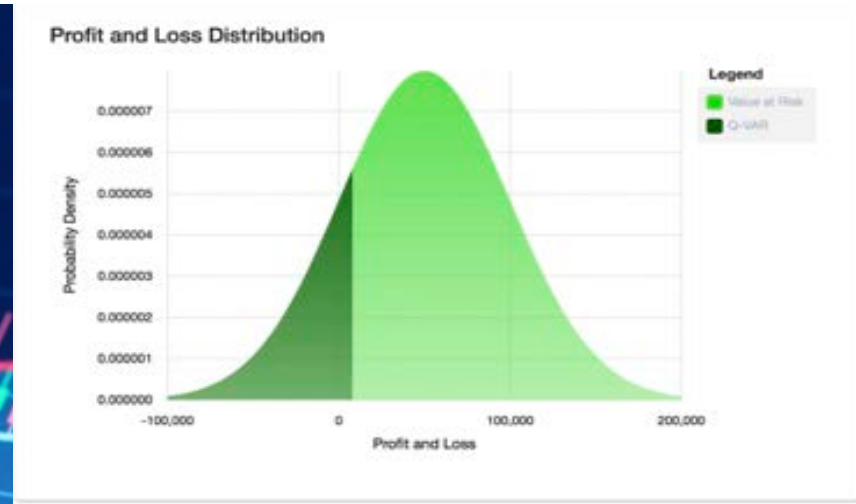
Statistics of a set of financial assets, which are either randomly generated datasets or a collection of historical data\*



### CUSTOM ENABLEMENT

Model the problem as a combinatorial optimization problem and perform customized problem reduction

# RISK ANALYSIS



The amplitude estimation algorithm integrated with a web interface in this demo is intended to show the path from determining basic statistical figures like expected gains towards more complex performance indices like both value at risk and conditional value at risk.

## TOOLS

- Simulator and QPU
- Python
- Angular

## INDUSTRIES

- Financial Services

## RESULTS



### PROBLEM SPECIFICATION

Quantifying portfolio investment risks to guide investment decisions depending on your risk threshold



### EXPERIMENT DATA SET

Statistics of a set of financial assets, which are either randomly generated datasets or a collection of historical data\*



### CUSTOM ENABLEMENT

Identify challenges along the quantum software stack from gate-level quantum back-end to web-application front-end

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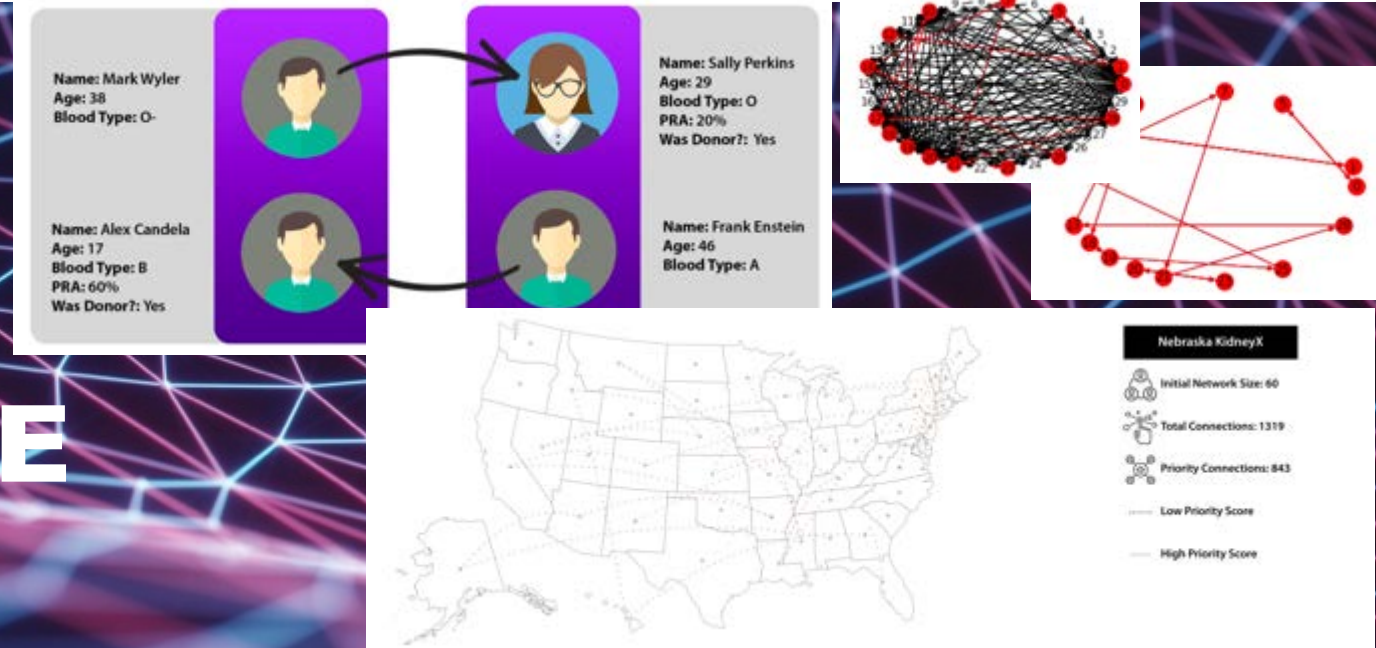
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# TECH4GOOD AT ACCENTURE

*“Technology for good is the innovative application of emerging technologies to ensure sustainable development, which not only creates a positive and lasting impact across various social and environmental issues but also offers huge opportunities for growth to businesses.”*



# KIDNEY EXCHANGE



This demo shows how a kidney exchange is reformulated as a cycle-matching problem, which is known to be NP-Complete and intractable on classical computers. We further demonstrate a mapping of this problem to a quadratic unconstrained binary optimization (QUBO) problem, which may be solved by the D-Wave annealer.

## TOOLS

- Simulator and QPU
- Ocean
- Docker
- Django
- D3JS
- React

## INDUSTRIES

- Health & Public Services

## RESULTS



### PROBLEM SPECIFICATION

Finding optimal matches in a kidney exchange network through solving a cycle-matching problem.



### EXPERIMENT DATA SET

Randomly generated datasets based on a statistical model of patient-donor attributes.



### CUSTOM ENABLEMENT

Implemented and optimized a unique mapping to a quadratic problem.

# QUANTUM KIDNEY EXCHANGE

## OUR TEAM UNDERWENT CHALLENGES FROM IDENTIFYING THE PROBLEM TO SOLVING IT...

The challenge

The outcome

### Problem description

- **Identify a suitable experiment with quantum methodology**
  - The vast number of ways to formulate a problem.
  - The limited set of quantum algorithms currently available.
  - Tradeoff between complexity and feasibility!
  - Use the existing criteria and develop an algorithms.

### Identify relevant quantum algorithms

- **Consider quantum algorithms that perform optimization tasks.**
  - Quantum annealing on annealers, which requires a mapping reduction to a QUBO problem.
  - Quantum approximate optimization algorithms on gate-model device, which requires a mapping reduction to an Ising problem, or specific quadratic problems.

### Mathematical formulation

- **The original exchange problem can be mathematically formulated in various ways.**

- **Initial problem formulation:**

$$\max_{C^* \subset C} f(C^*)$$

w.r.t.

$$c \cap d = \emptyset, \forall c, d \in C^*$$
- **Integer programming problem formulation:**

$$\max_{x_{i,j} \in \{0,1\}} \sum_{i,j \in E} w_{i,j} \cdot x_{i,j},$$

w.r.t. a set of our customized constraints.

### Problem mapping and reduction

- **Many ways to perform problem reduction, which are relevant to the solution performance.**

- **Map to a quadratic unconstrained problem.**
  - Mapping the integer programming formulation of the exchange problem to a quadratic unconstrained binary optimization (QUBO) problem, where  $W F(X,y)$  is the penalty cost function, and  $W$  is the penalty value:
 
$$\sum_{i,j \in E} -w_{i,j} \cdot x_{i,j} + W \cdot F(X,y).$$
  - This can be easily mapped to an Ising problem for other QC methods.

### Quantum software-dependent programming

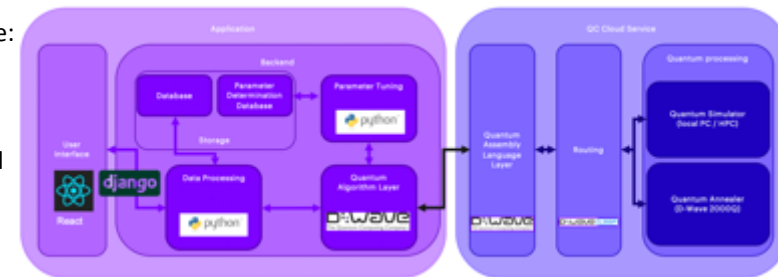
- **In programming, input format for quantum algorithms depends on the software platform and the functions used.**

- **Generate self-defined functions for D-Wave customized to our problem formulation.**
  - Functions that generate the input for QUBO.
  - Functions for performing post-processing.

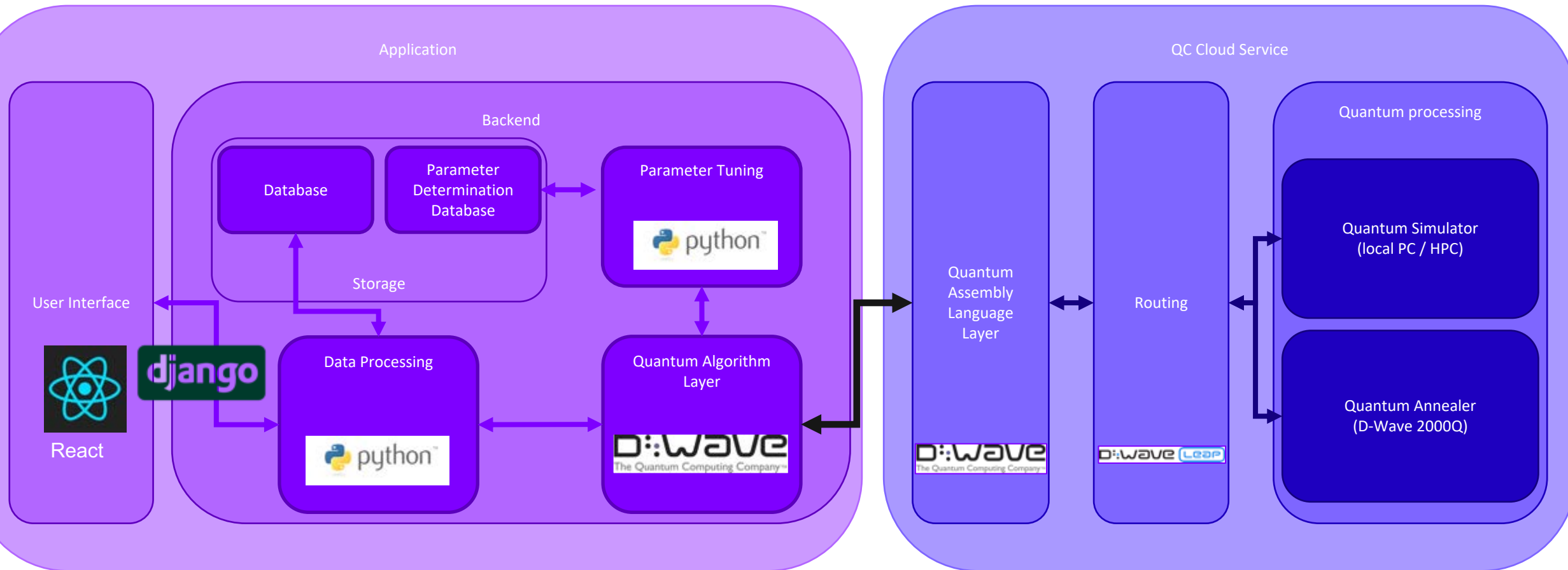
### Product delivery, analysis, and improvement

- **Innovate further.**
- **Scaling.**
- **Process.**
- **Selling.**

- **Build a UI that is easy to comprehend, and showcase a demo utilizing the QUBO algorithm.**
- **Analyze the performance, and consider improvement.**



# KIDNEY EXCHANGE HIGH-LEVEL ARCHITECTURE



# WHAT'S NEXT?

**THERE ARE CHALLENGES, WHICH CAN BE ENABLED IN THE NEXT ITERATION OF THE HARDWARE AND INTEGRATION TO OTHER SYSTEMS.**

## INNOVATE FURTHER...

### SCALE MORE

- Continue research in to the area further; improve the algorithm.
- Our solution was limited to small network sizes.
- Expanding to general hospital management, and beyond.

### IMPROVE PROCESS

- Work with governments and organizations to improve processes to map.
- Optimize for more realistic scenarios.

### CUSTOM ENABLEMENT

- Implemented and optimized a unique mapping to a quadratic problem.

### EXPERIMENT DATA SET

- Build and connect to the broader datasets available via UNOS (pair group of patient-donor of 75K lists).
- Test over multiple different hardware.



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