



# Dispatching Shots Among Multiple Quantum Computers: an Architectural Proposal

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## Evidence for the utility of quantum computing before fault tolerance

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## Record investments in quantum technology

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## Quantum supremacy using a programmable superconducting processor

## Quantum Volume reaches 5 digits for the first time

Following today's announcement of Quantinuum's H1-1 achieving a **quantum volume** of 32768 ( $2^{15}$ ), here are 5 perspectives on what this milestone means for...

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# The Quantum Daily's Guide to Qubit Implementations

Classification	Description	Examples	Qubit lifetime (1)	Gate fidelity (2)	Gate operation time (3)	Connectivity	Scalability	Pros	Cons
<b>Superconducting</b>	Two level system of a superconducting circuit which forms a qubit (a transmon, first developed at Yale)	IBM, Google, Rigetti, Alibaba, Intel, Quantum Circuits	c.50-100µs	c.99.4%	c.10-50ns	Neighbours	Highly scalable (see OQC coaxmon tech)	- Fast gate times - Builds on existing semiconductor industry	- Typically low longevity - Must be kept very cold to work
<b>Ion trap</b>	Single charged ions trapped in magnetic fields. Energy level of its spin comprises the qubits	IonQ; Alpine Quantum Technologies; Honeywell	>1,000s	c.99.9%	c.3-50µs	All-to-all	TBC	- High gate fidelity - Very stable	- Slow operations
<b>Photonics</b>	Qubits made from single particles of light (photons) operating on silicon chips pathways	PsiQuantum, Xanadu	c. 150µs	c. 98.0%	c.1ns	Unknown	Highly scalable (see Psi Quantum)	- Highly scalable - Utilises existing SC industry infrastructure - No temperature requirements	- Nascent technology - Connectivity to be demonstrated
<b>Neutral atoms</b>	Qubits made from individual atoms (rather than ions which have a charge)	Atom Computing, PASQAL, QuEra	Similar to ion trap	c.95%	TBC	TBC	TBC	- Long qubit coherence times	- Must be kept cold - Nascent
<b>Silicon</b>	Artificial atoms made by adding an electron to a small piece of pure silicon and microwaves control the electrons state	Intel, Silicon Quantum Computing	c. 1-10s	c. 99%	c.1-10ns	Neighbours	Expect high scalability	- Stable - Utilises existing semiconductor industry infrastructure	- Must be kept cold - Nascent
<b>Topological qubits</b>	Qubits made from non-Abelian forms of matter	Microsoft (WIP)	Very high	Very high	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	- Estimated long lifetime and high fidelities	- Existence to be confirmed

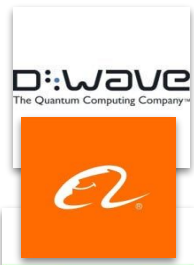
Notes: (1) *Record coherence time for a single qubit position state*; (2) *Highest reported fidelity for two qubit gate operations*; (3) *Speed of gate operations*

Sources: Literature review, TQD expert interviews. Special reference to [BCG reports](#), [Science Mag](#) and [NAE report on quantum computing](#).

s = seconds

µs = microsecond ( $10^{-6}$  seconds)

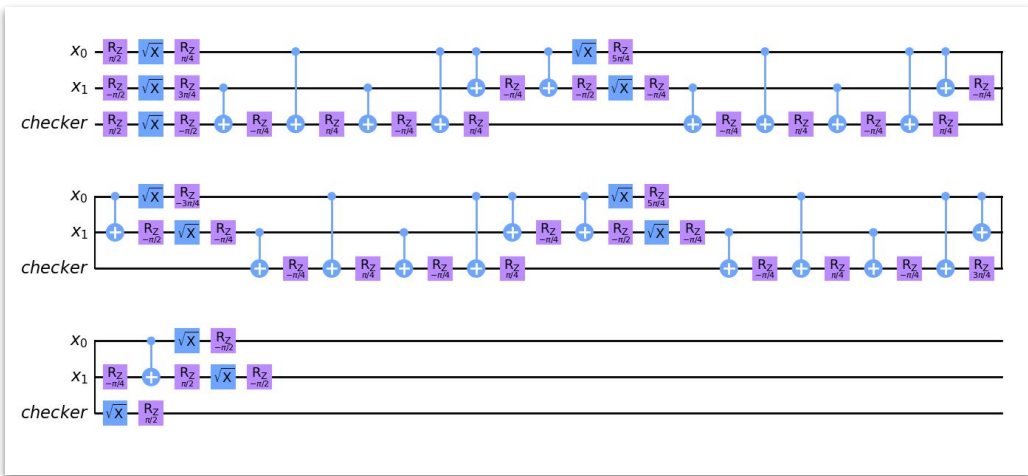
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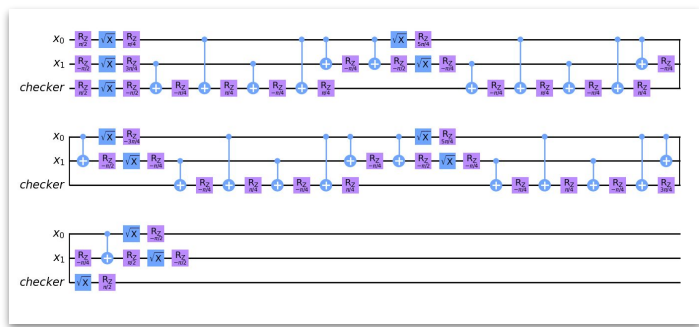






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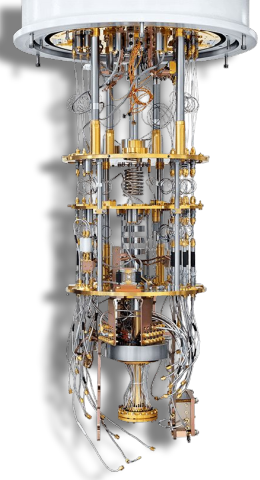
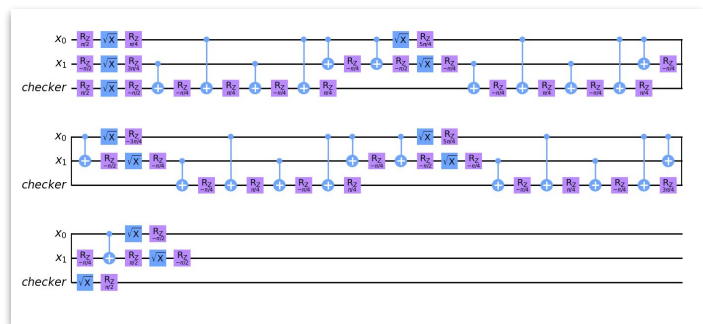




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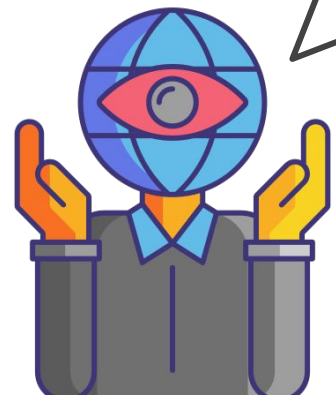


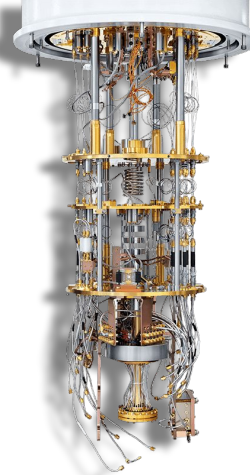
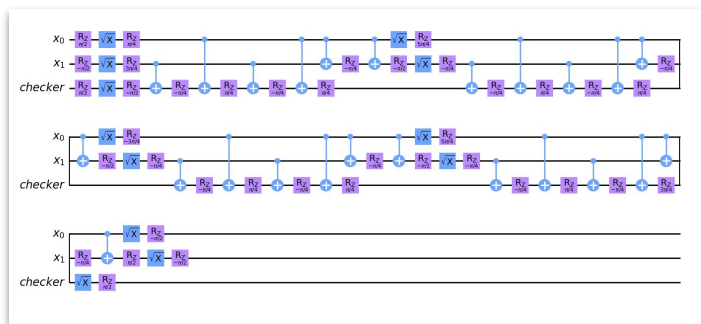




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OK, then let's  
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**BUT**



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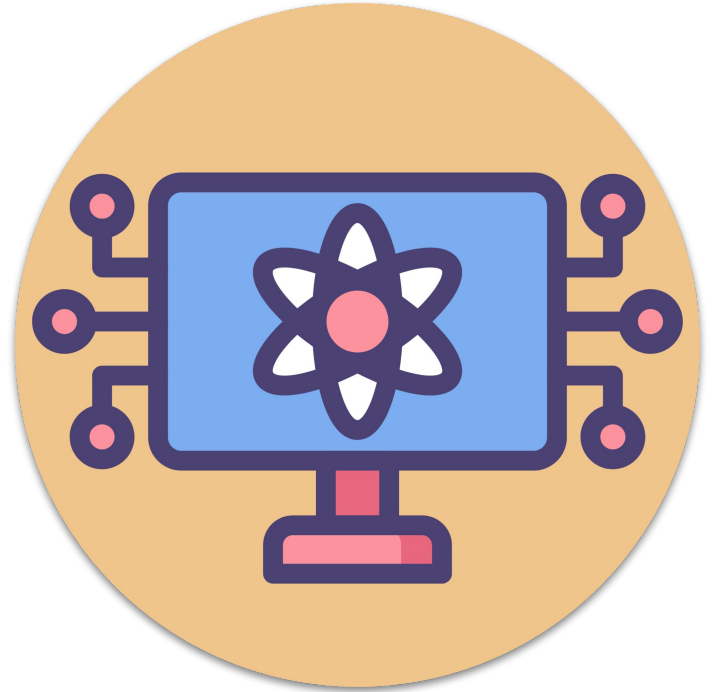
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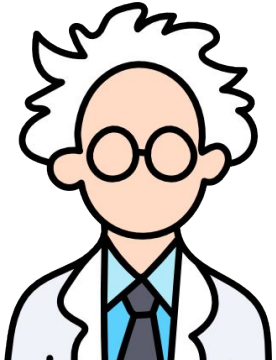
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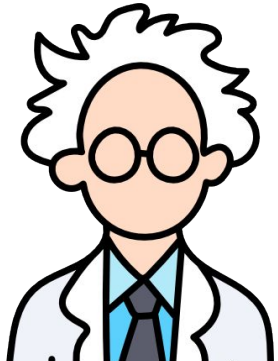
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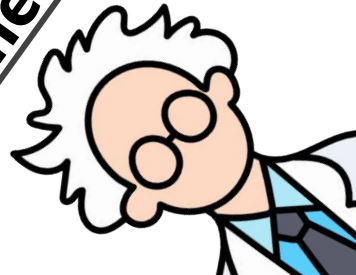
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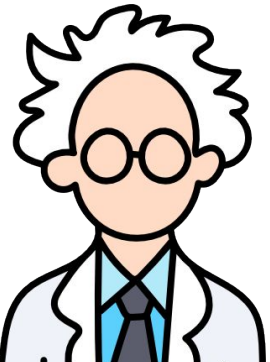


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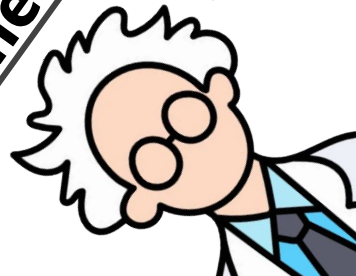


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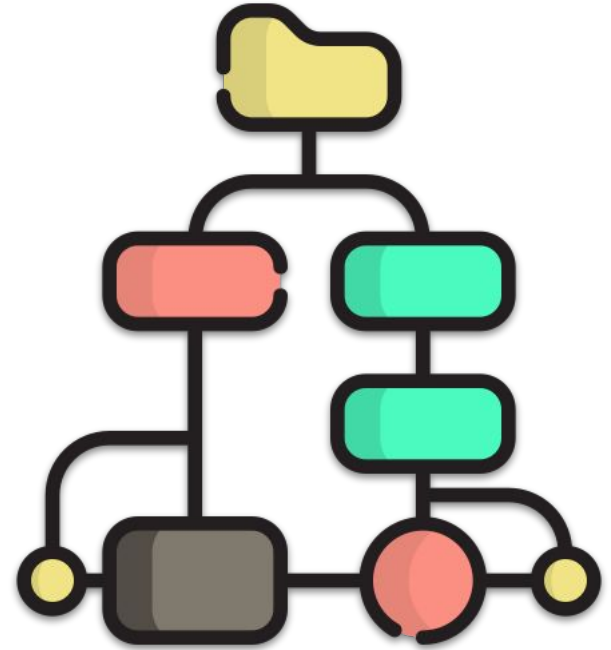
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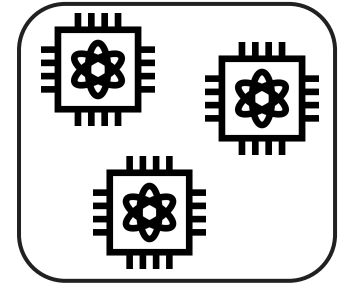
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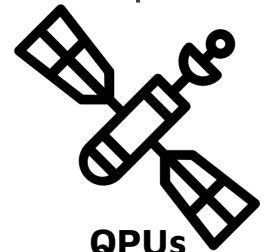
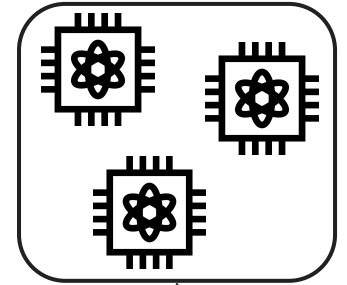


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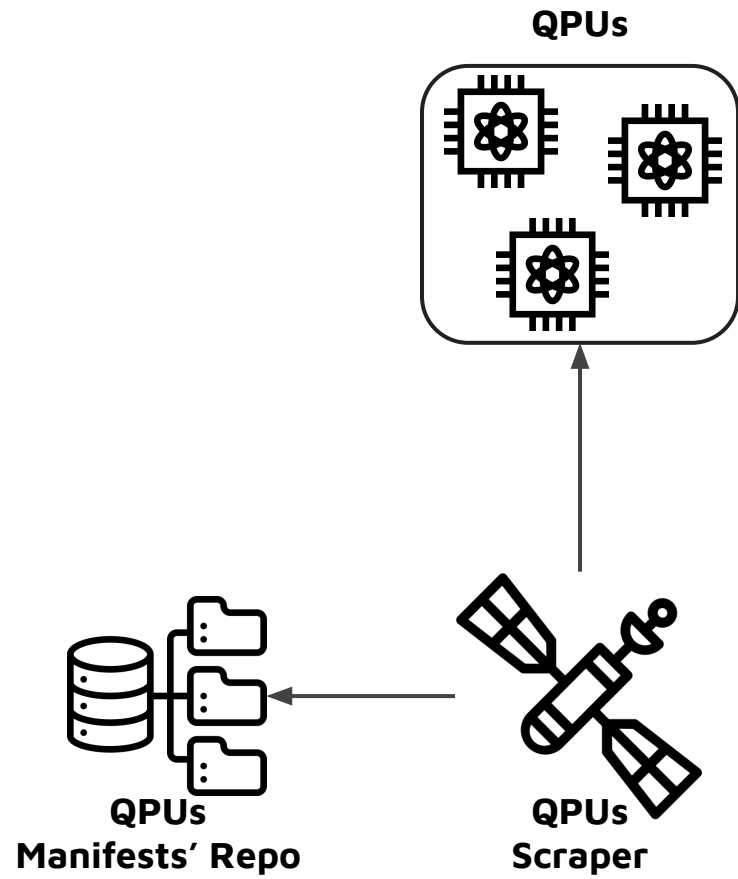


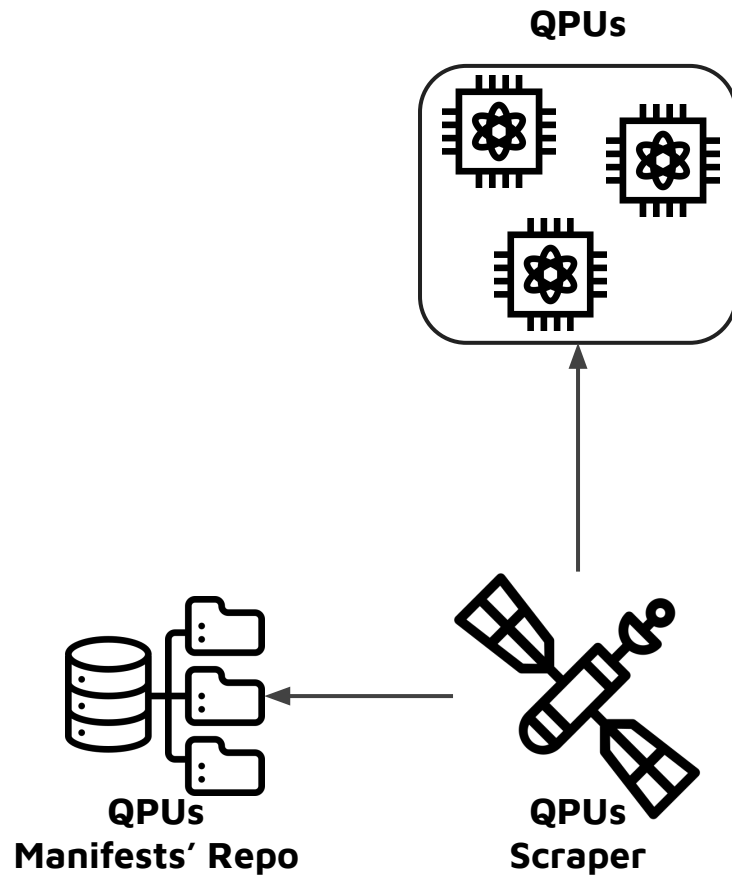
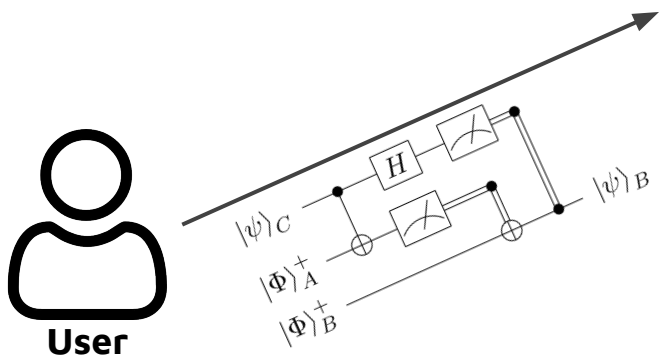


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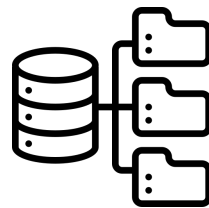
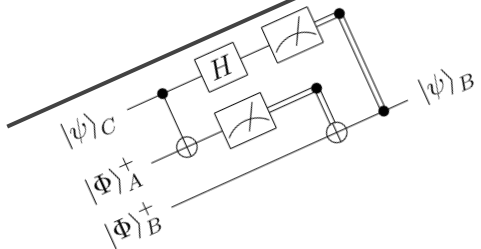
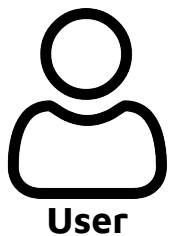
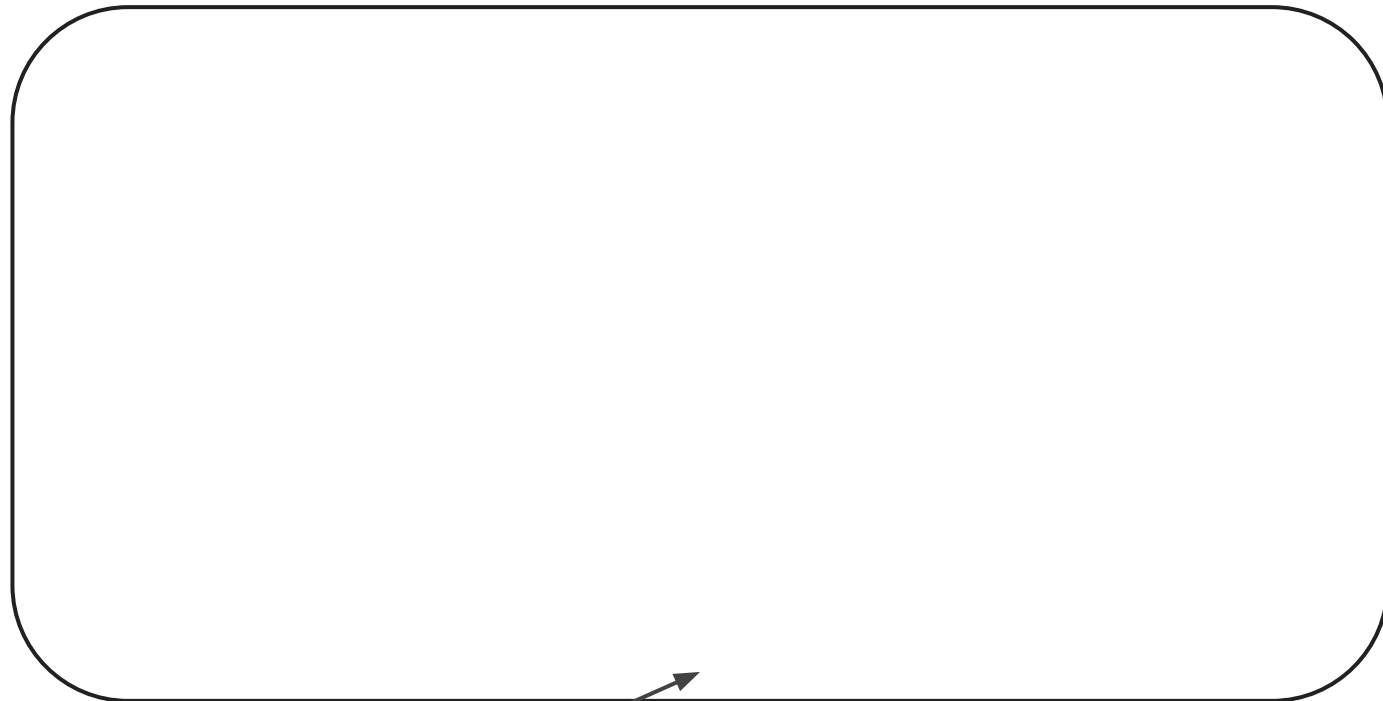


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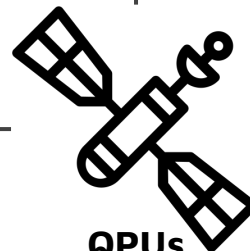




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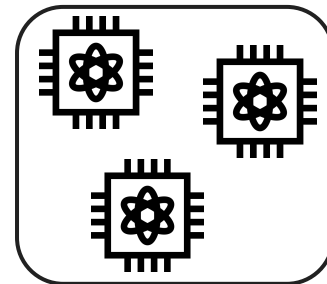


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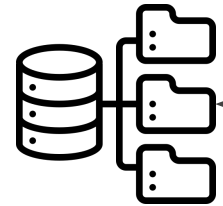
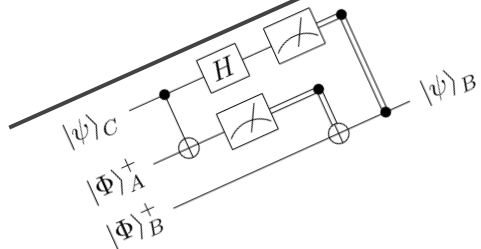
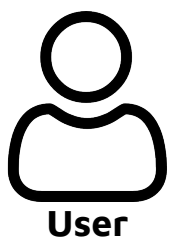
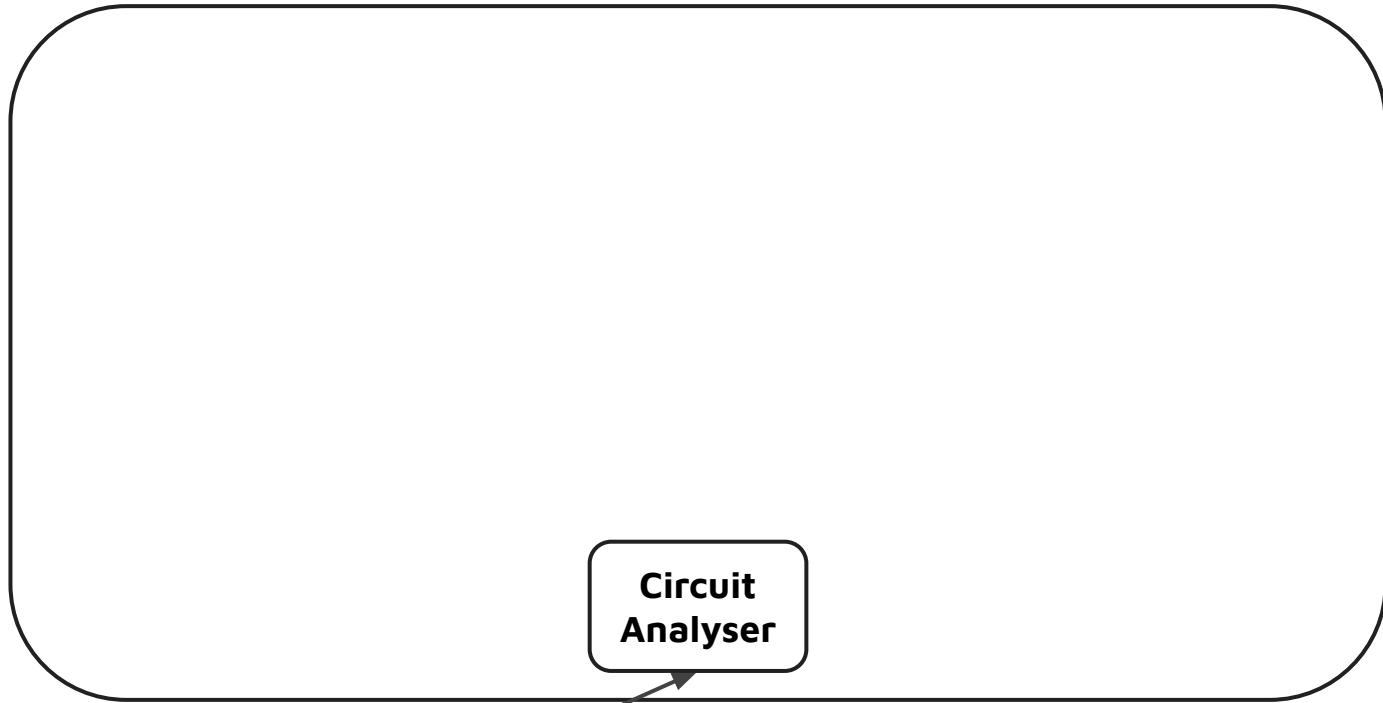


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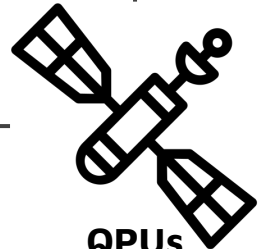
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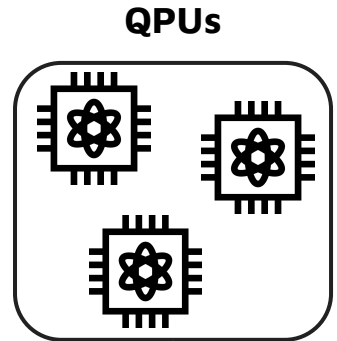
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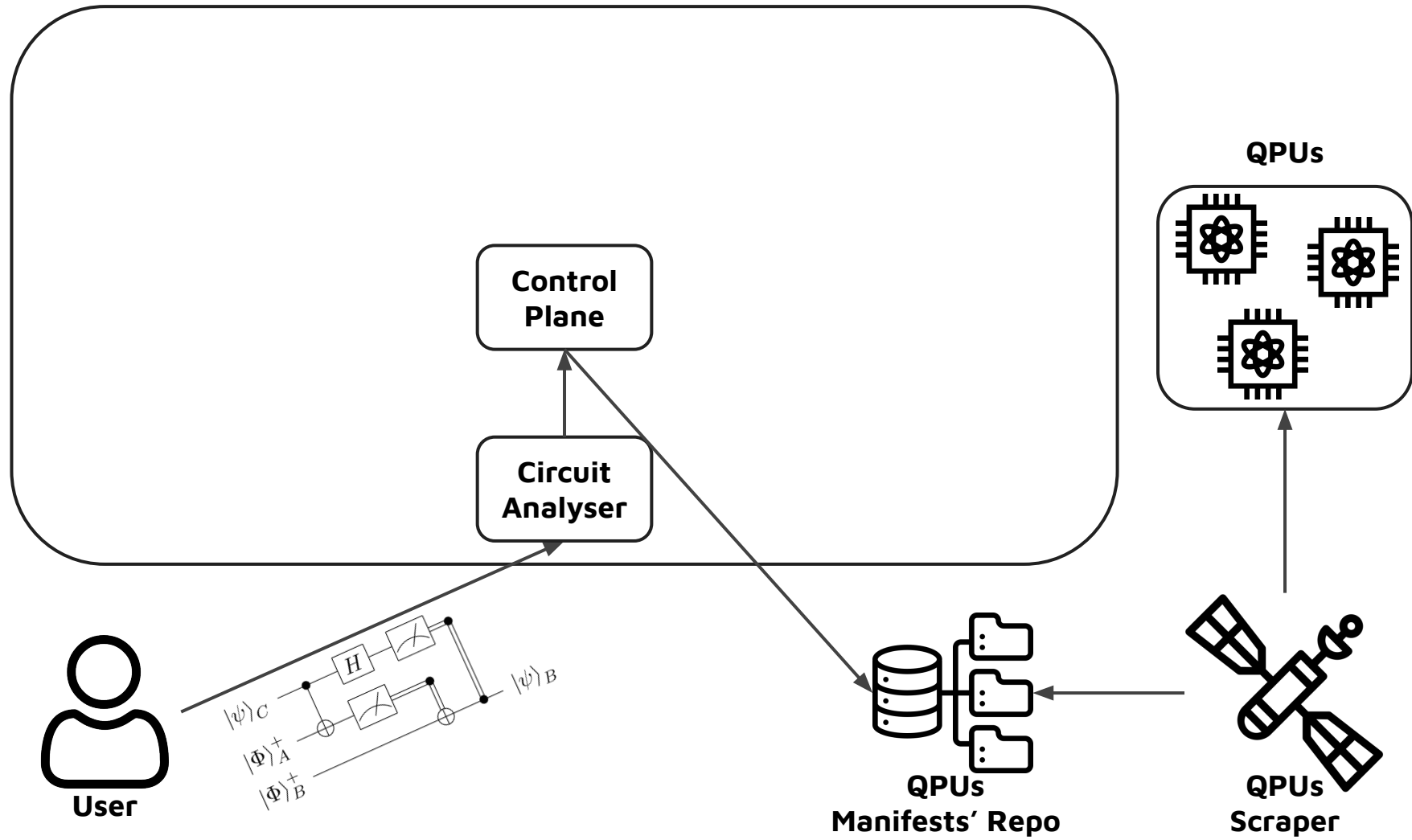


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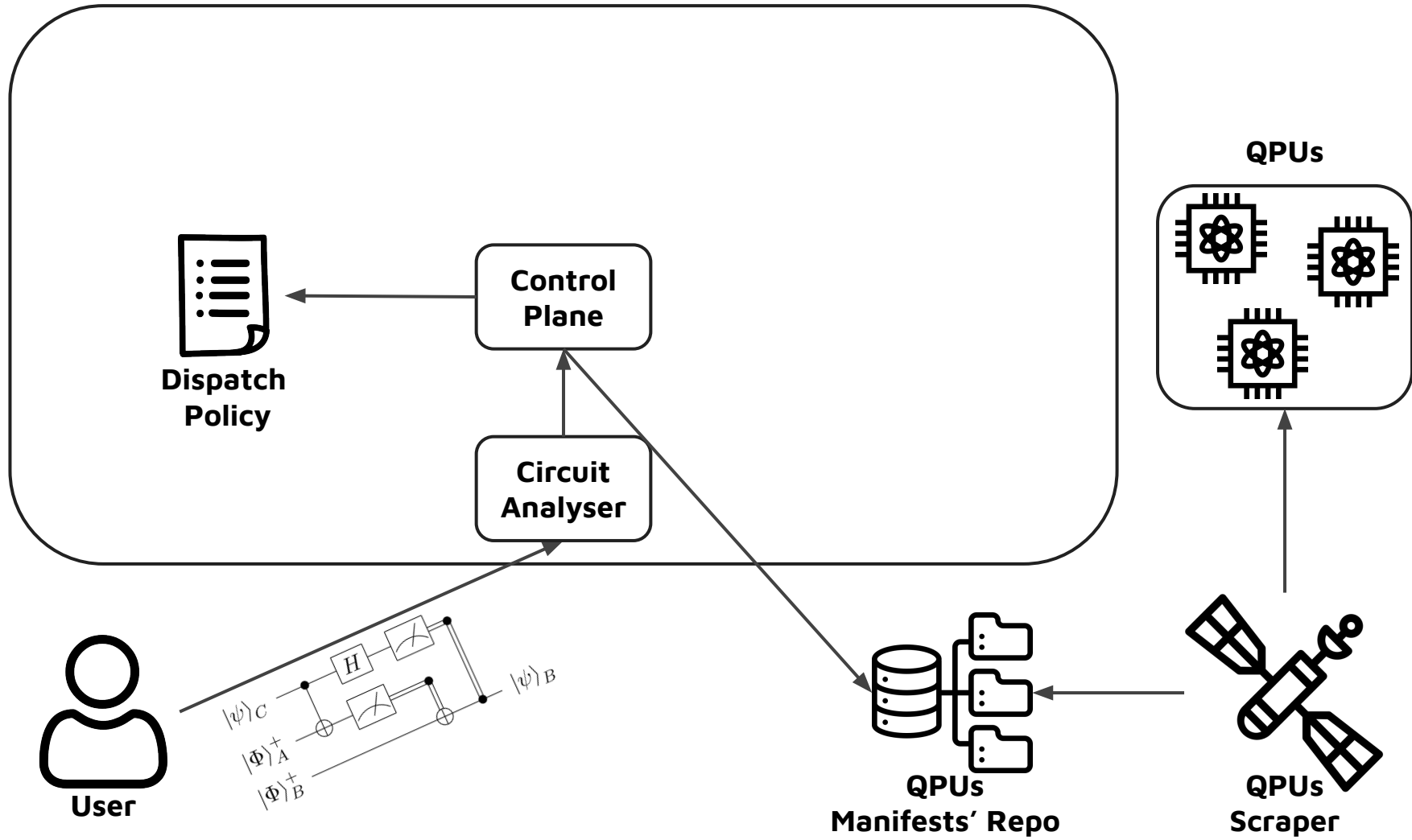
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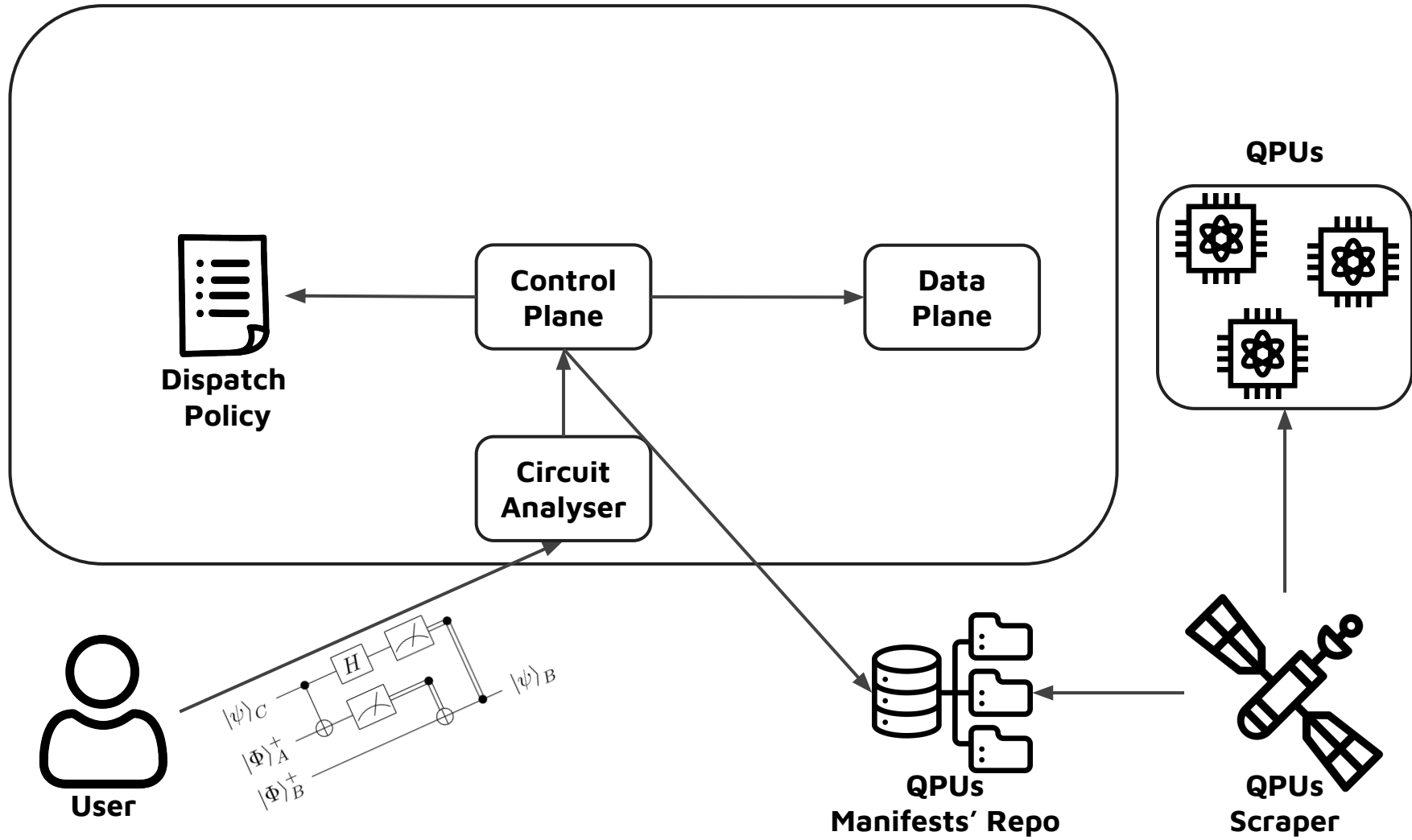




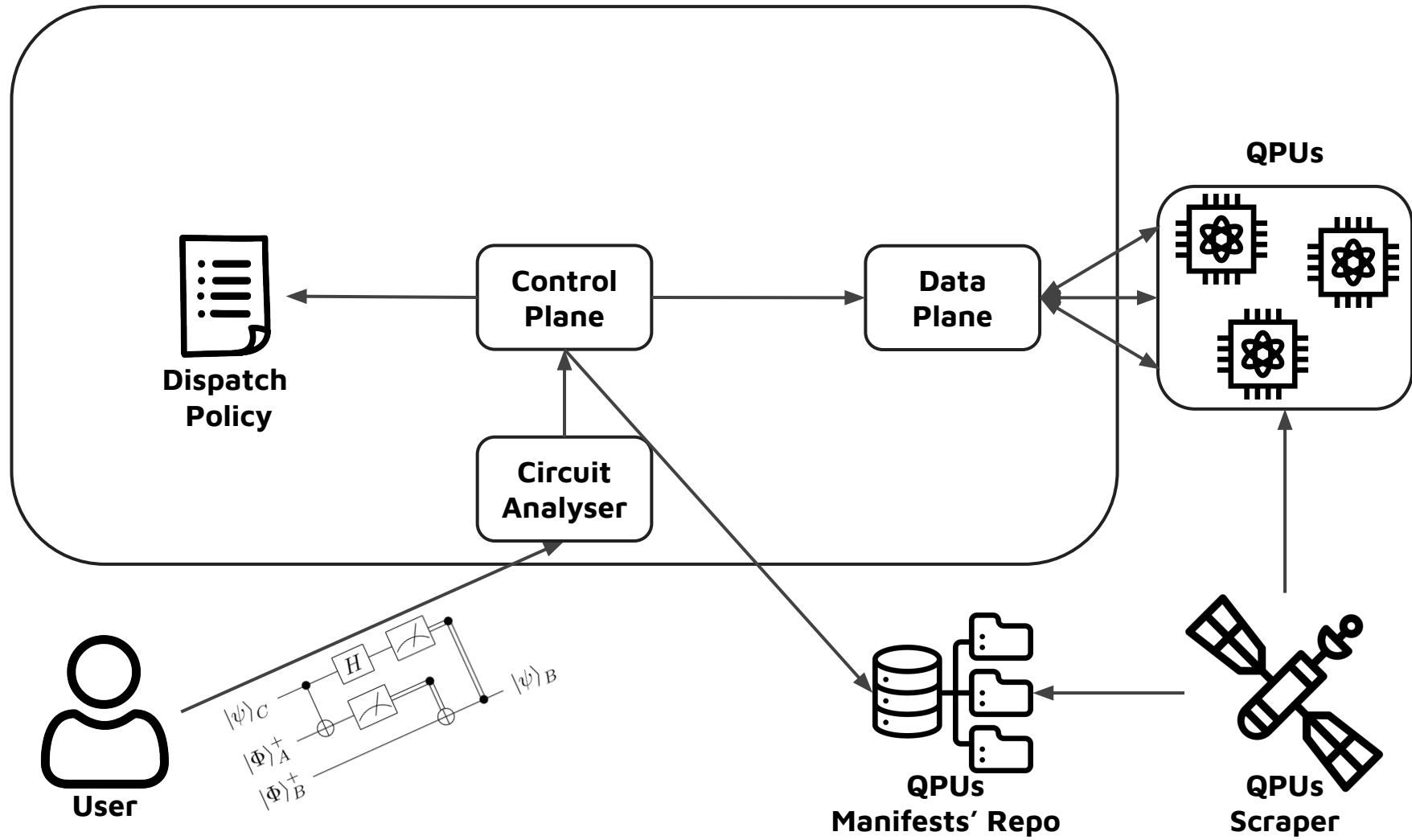
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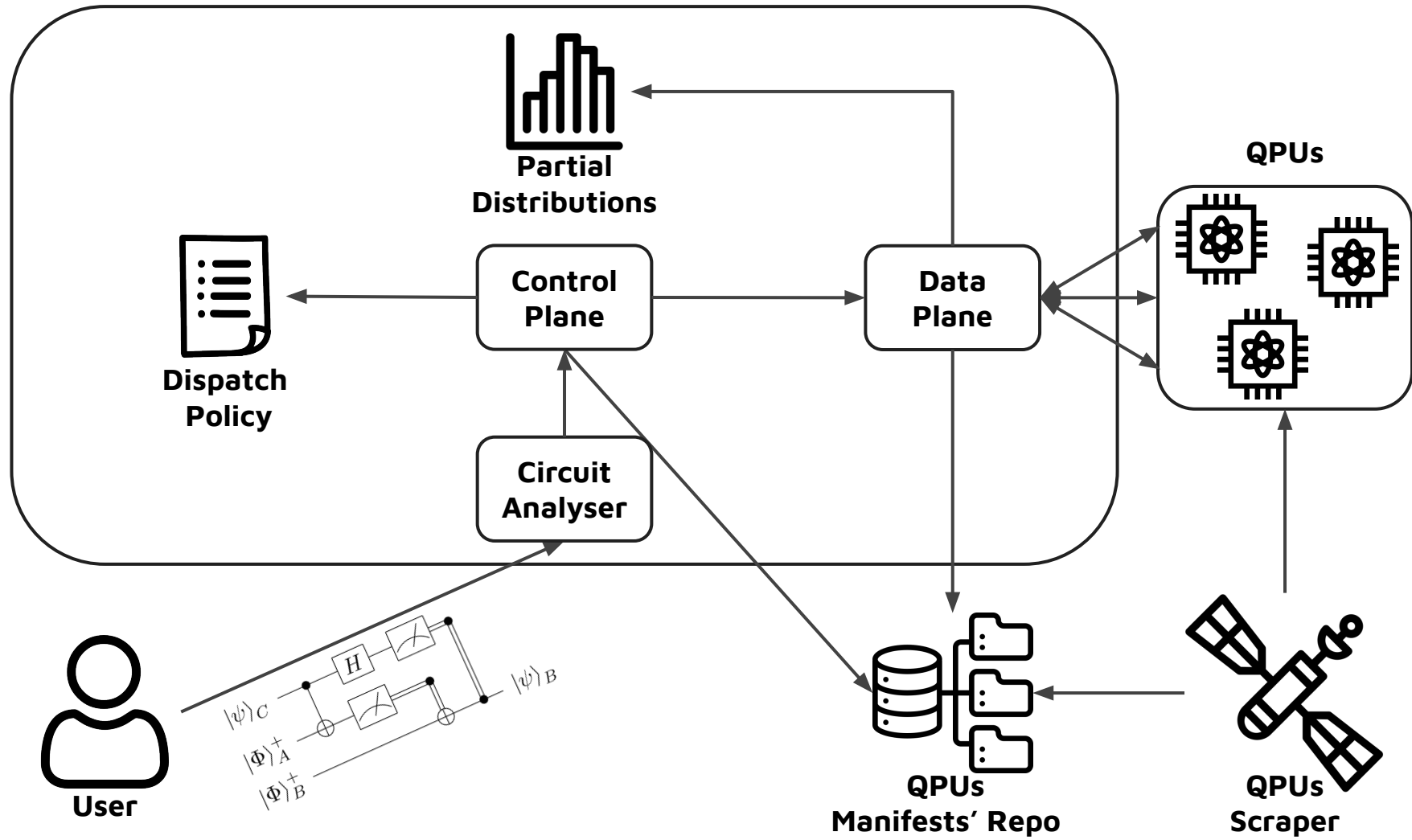
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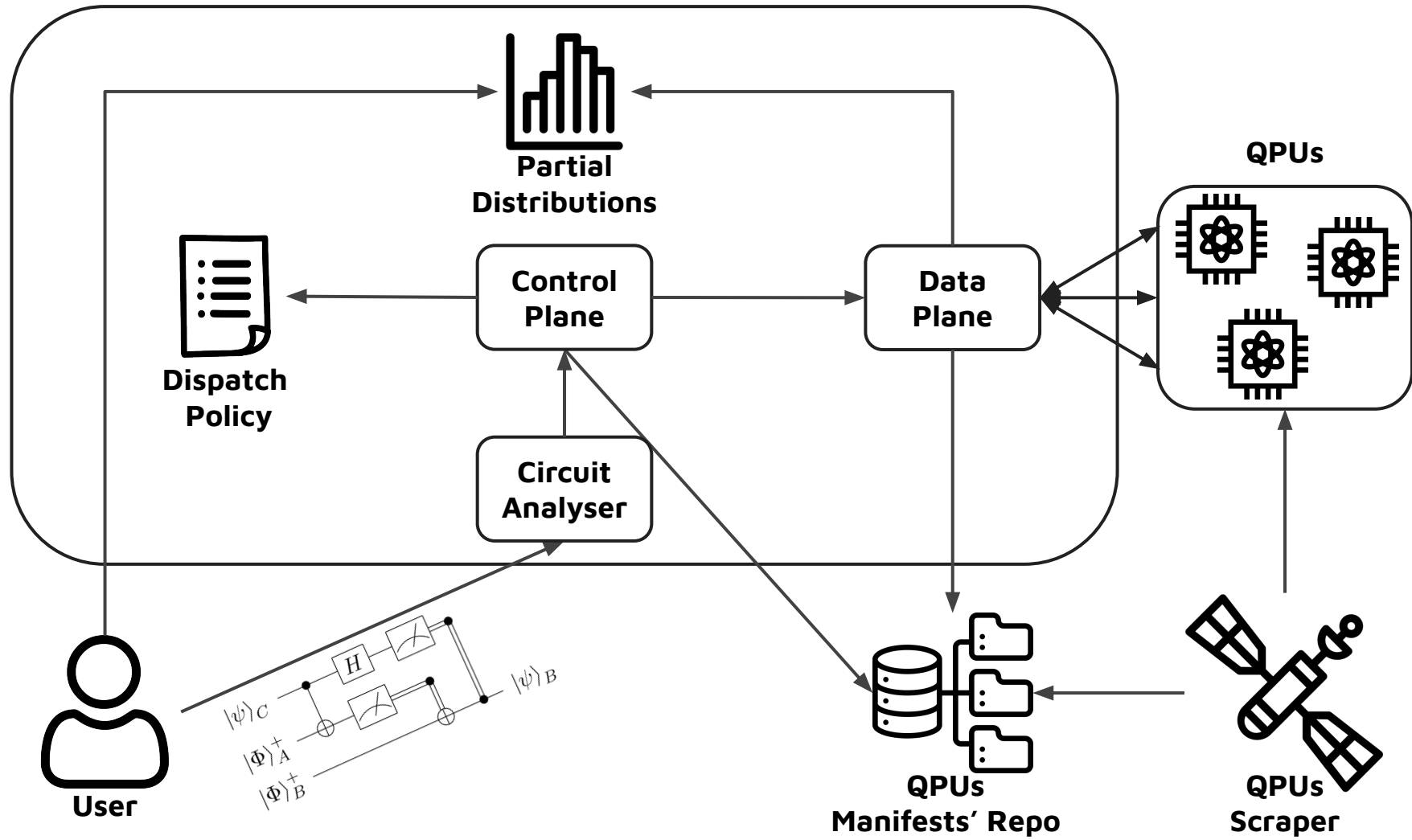
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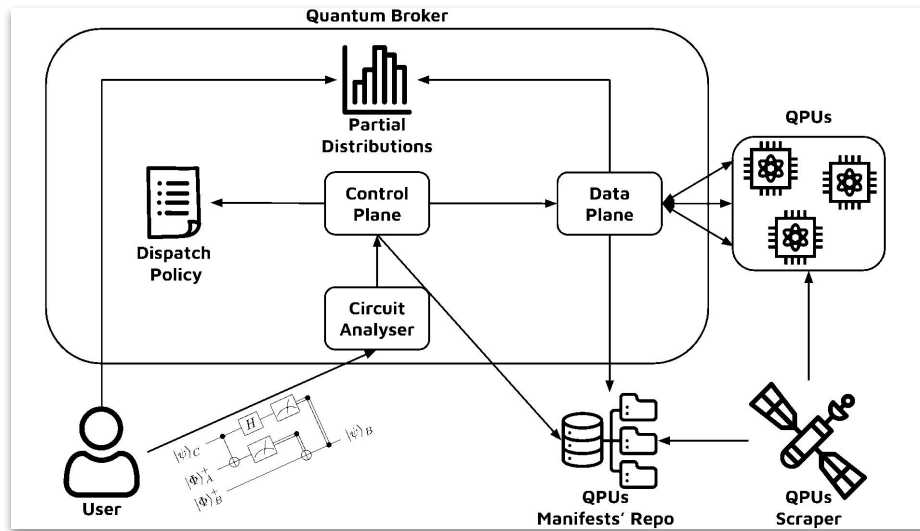


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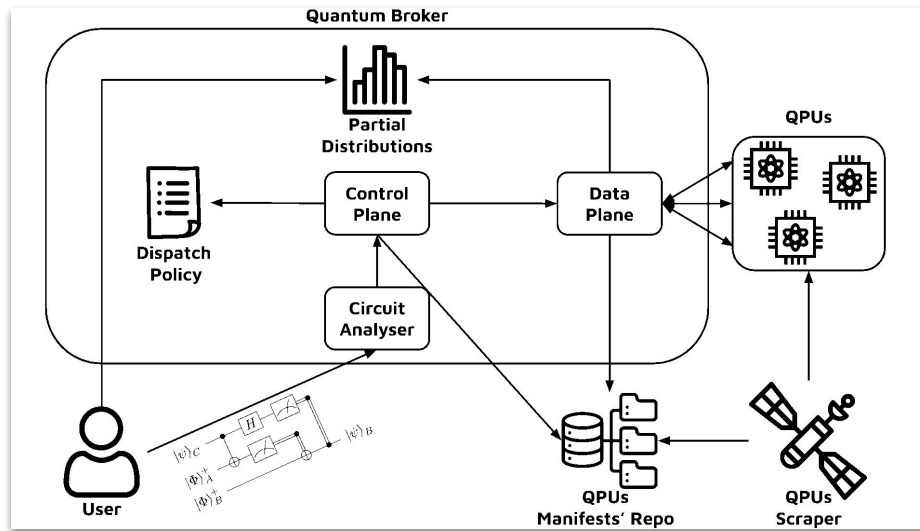
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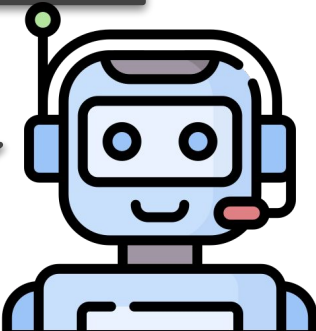


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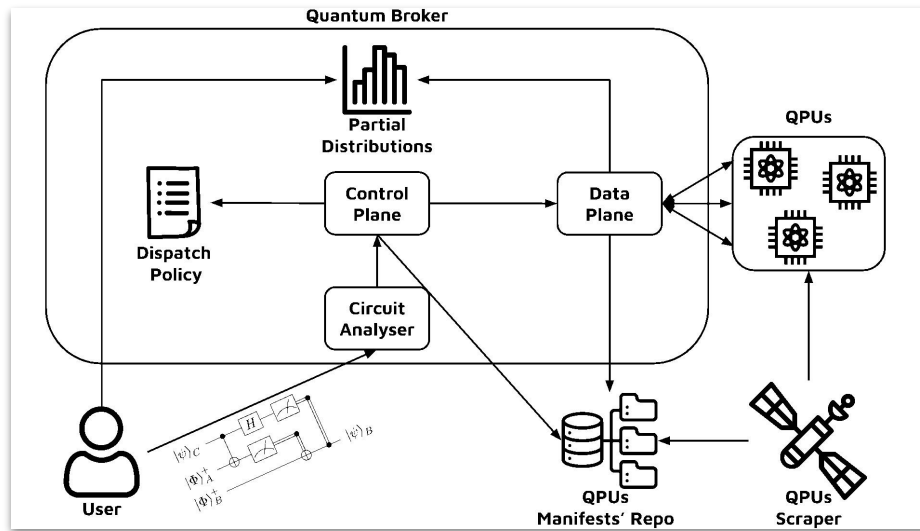




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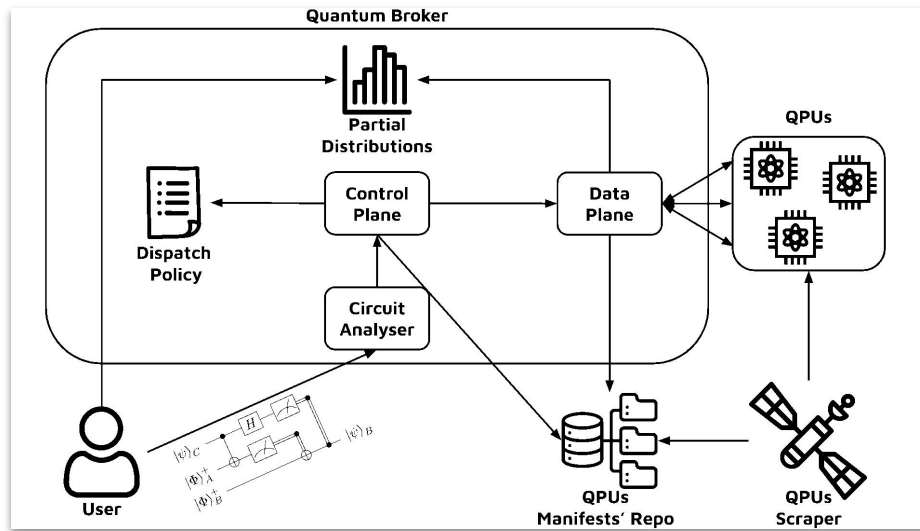


**Other Quantum Computers** are performing **other shots** and you can **access the partial distributions!**



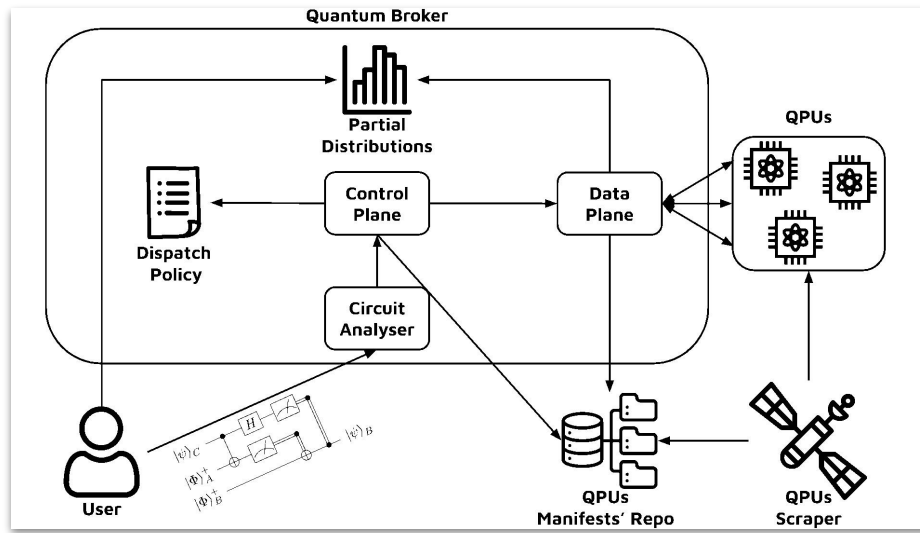
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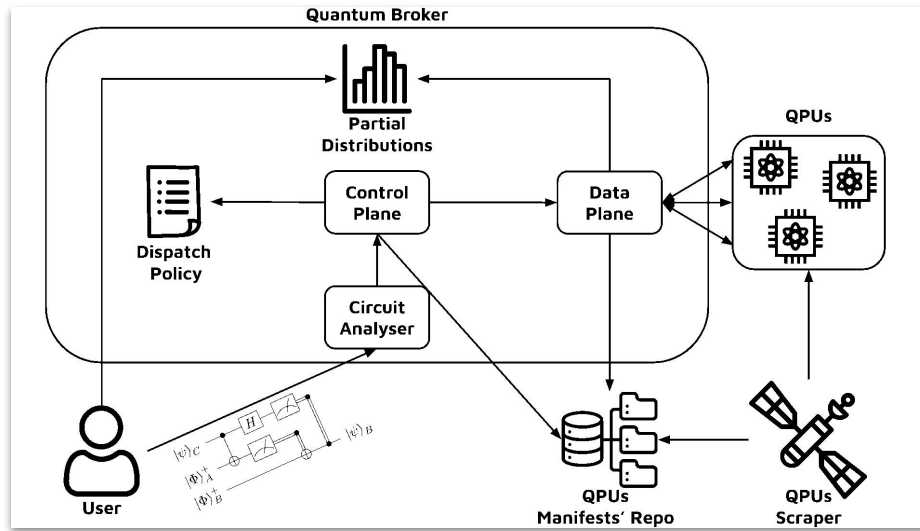
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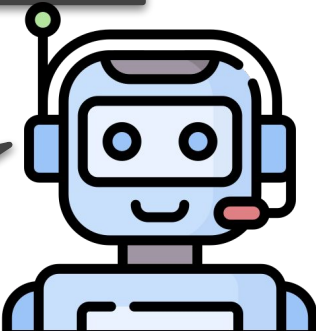


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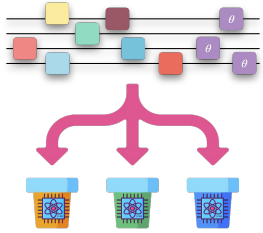


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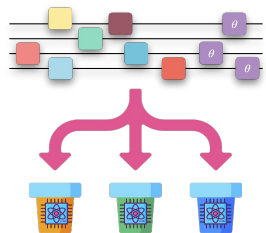
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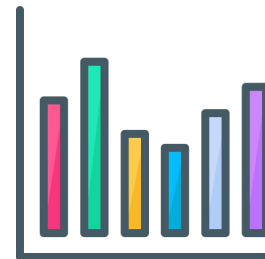
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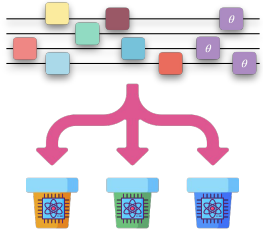


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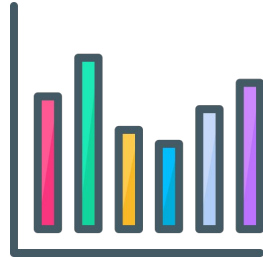


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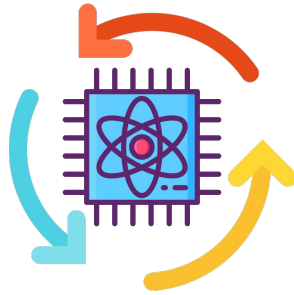


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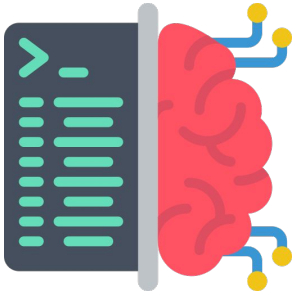
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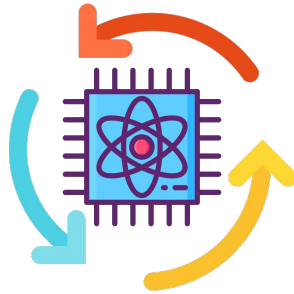
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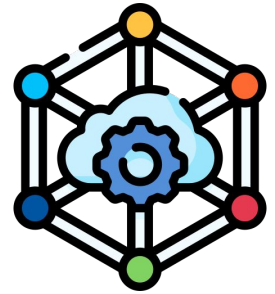
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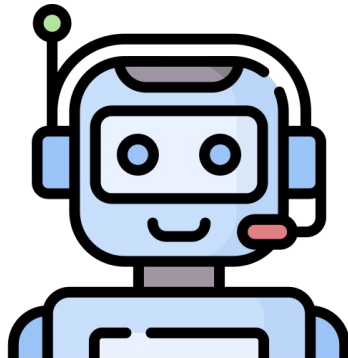


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Any comment? Questions?





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