

# HHL as a predictor-corrector

Securing a practical quantum advantage

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# Outline

- QEVEC
- Background: ISPH and HHL
- Hybrid Predictor-Corrector
- Quantum Predictor-Corrector
- Results from Taylor-Green-Vortex
- Emphasis on scalability

# QEVEC

- ExCALIBUR Cross-Cutting project: potential disruptor: quantum computing
- Goal: Systematic evaluation, identification, and development of relevant quantum algorithms for exascale subroutines
- Use cases:
  - Materials simulations
  - Fluids simulations (**this talk**)
- Quantum verification, validation and uncertainty quantification (VVUQ)
- Funding and partners:

Quantum  
Enhanced  
Verified  
Exascale  
Computing

Durham  
Strathclyde  
UCL  
Warwick  
London Southbank



<https://excalibur.ac.uk/projects/qevec/>

# Incompressible SPH

NS (Lagrangian form)

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$$

$$\frac{d\mathbf{u}}{dt} = \frac{1}{\rho} \nabla P + \nu \nabla^2 \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{g}.$$

$$\mathbf{x}_i^* = \mathbf{x}_i^n + \mathbf{u}_i^n \Delta t.$$

$$\mathbf{u}_i^* = \mathbf{u}_i^n + \nu \nabla^2 \mathbf{u}_i^n \Delta t.$$

$$\nabla \cdot \left( \frac{1}{\rho} \nabla P^{n+1} \right)_i = \frac{1}{\Delta t} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}_i^*.$$

$$\mathbf{u}_i^{n+1} = \mathbf{u}_i^* - \left( \frac{1}{\rho} \nabla P_i^{n+1} + \mathbf{g} \right) \Delta t$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i^{n+1} = \mathbf{x}_i^n + \left( \frac{\mathbf{u}_i^{n+1} + \mathbf{u}_i^n}{2} \right) \Delta t.$$

Poisson equation for pressure. Can be discretised into a system of linear equations

# Linear system of equations

$$\nabla^2 P = \rho \frac{1}{\delta t} \nabla \cdot u_i$$


Apply SPH discretisation:

$$(\nabla^2 P)_i = 2V \sum_j \frac{\mathbf{r}_{ij} \cdot \nabla_i w_{ij}}{|\mathbf{r}_{ij}|^2 + \eta^2} P_{ij} = 2 \sum_j \frac{\mathbf{r}_{ij} \cdot \nabla_i w_{ij}}{|\mathbf{r}_{ij}|^2 + \eta^2} (P_i - P_j)$$

In the form of  $A_{ii} * P_i + A_{ij} * P_j$

$$A_{ii} = 2V \sum_j \frac{\mathbf{r}_{ij} \cdot \nabla_i w_{ij}}{|\mathbf{r}_{ij}|^2 + \eta^2}$$

$$A_{ij} = -2V \frac{\mathbf{r}_{ij} \cdot \nabla_i w_{ij}}{|\mathbf{r}_{ij}|^2 + \eta^2}$$


$$\mathbf{A} \vec{x} = \vec{b}$$

Can we map the solution to a quantum state?

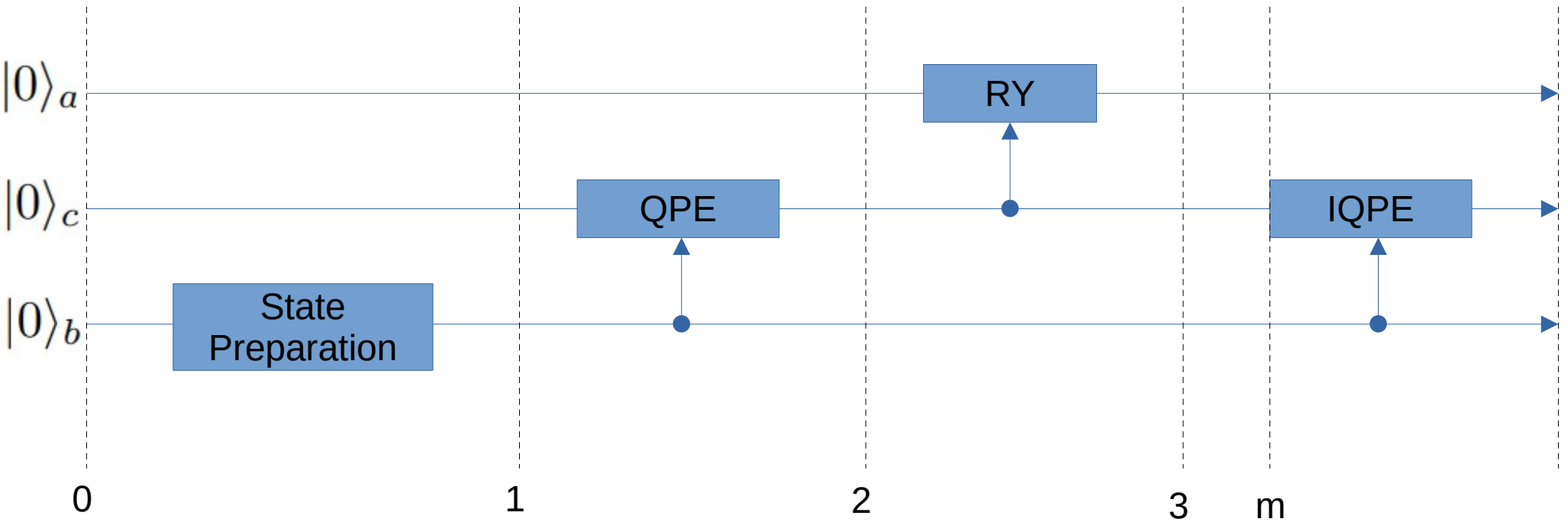
$$\mathbf{A} = \sum_{i=0}^{2^{n_b}-1} \lambda_i |u_i\rangle \langle u_i|$$

$$|b\rangle = \sum_{j=0}^{2^{n_b}-1} b_j |u_j\rangle$$

$$|x\rangle = \mathbf{A}^{-1} |b\rangle = \sum_{i=0}^{2^{n_b}-1} \lambda_i^{-1} b_i |u_i\rangle$$

This is what HHL outputs!

# Harrow–Hassidim–Lloyd (HHL) Algorithm

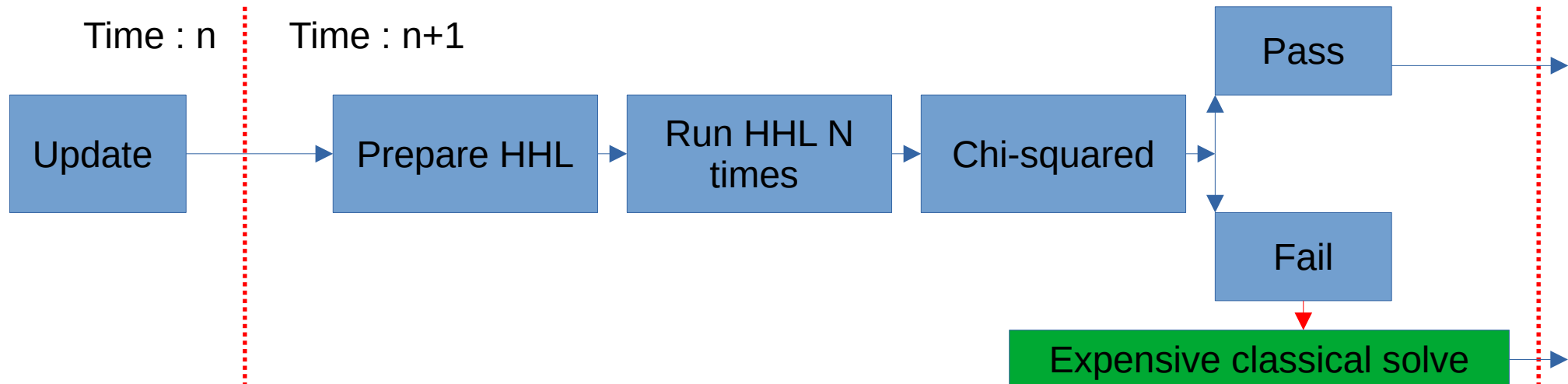


$$\Phi_m = C_2 \sum_{j=0}^{2^{n_b}-1} b_j |u_j\rangle |\tilde{\lambda}_j\rangle \left( \frac{C}{\tilde{\lambda}_j^2} |1\rangle_a \right)$$

Desired state BUT is encoded in the amplitudes!  
Will require many samples to read out.

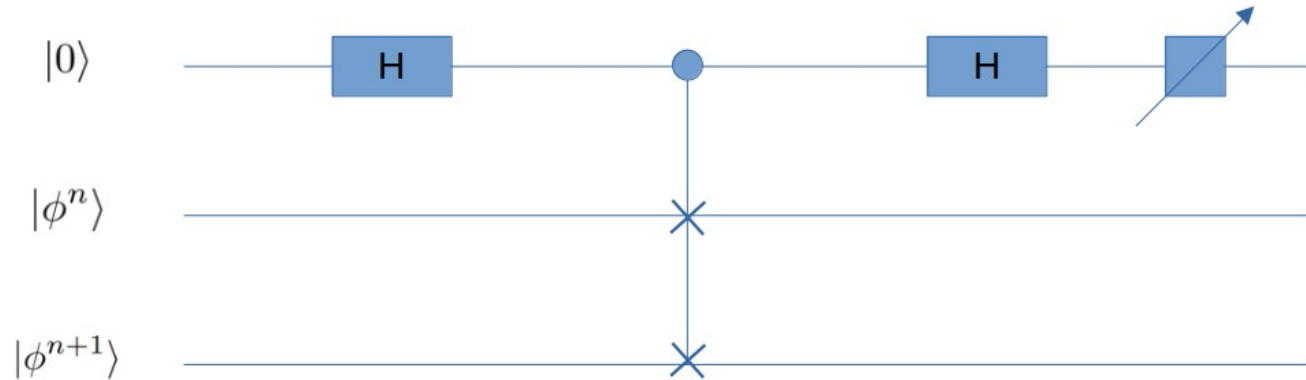
# A hybrid predictor-corrector

- Known: solution at a previous step
- Unknown: is current step “different enough” to warrant an update
- Goal: estimate likelihood of a given sample (from HHL) having a given distribution (from previous time step)
- Many classical statistical tests exist for this e.g. Chi-squared



# A quantum predictor-corrector

- Replace the classical (i.e. chi squared) test with a quantum swap test instead
  - A swap test can be used to measure degree of overlap between 2 quantum states
- Only need to measure one ancilla qubit with probability being a function of state overlap
- Drastically reduces required number of samples

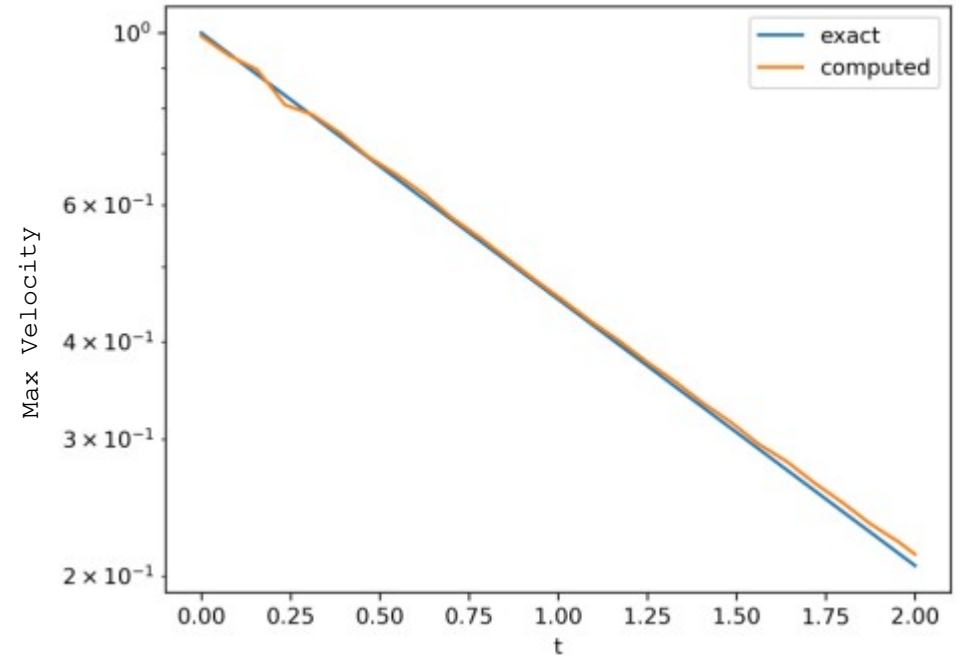
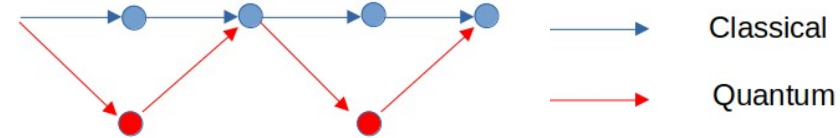
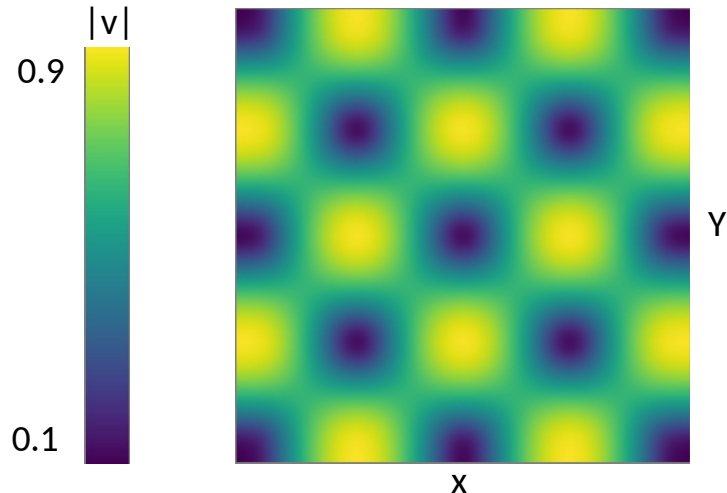


$$P(0) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} |\langle \phi^n | \phi^{n+1} \rangle|^2$$

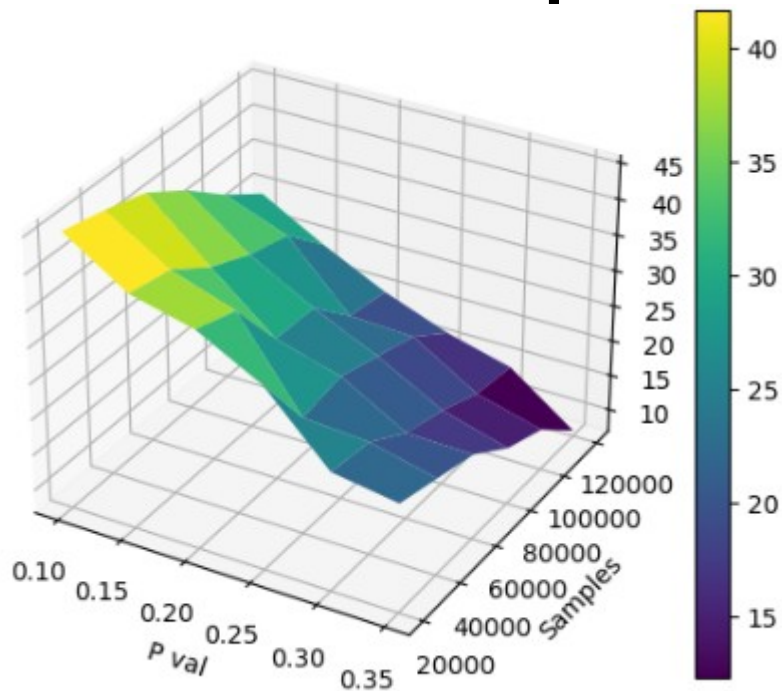


# Taylor Green Vortex (TGV)

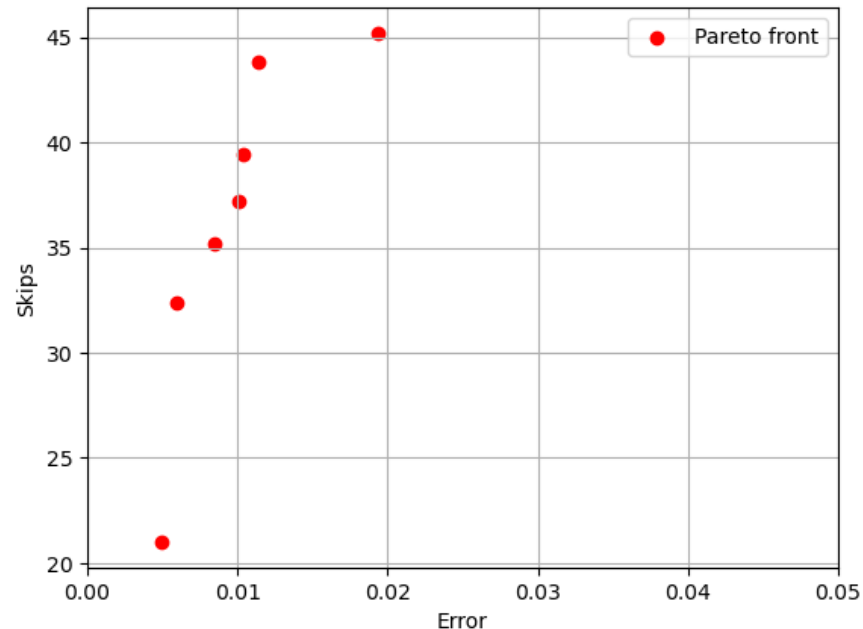
- Asynchronous implementation
- Skips expensive classical solve ~50% of the time
- Negligible impact on global error
- Flexible control via rejection criteria
- Works better than blind skipping



# Optimal Skipping?



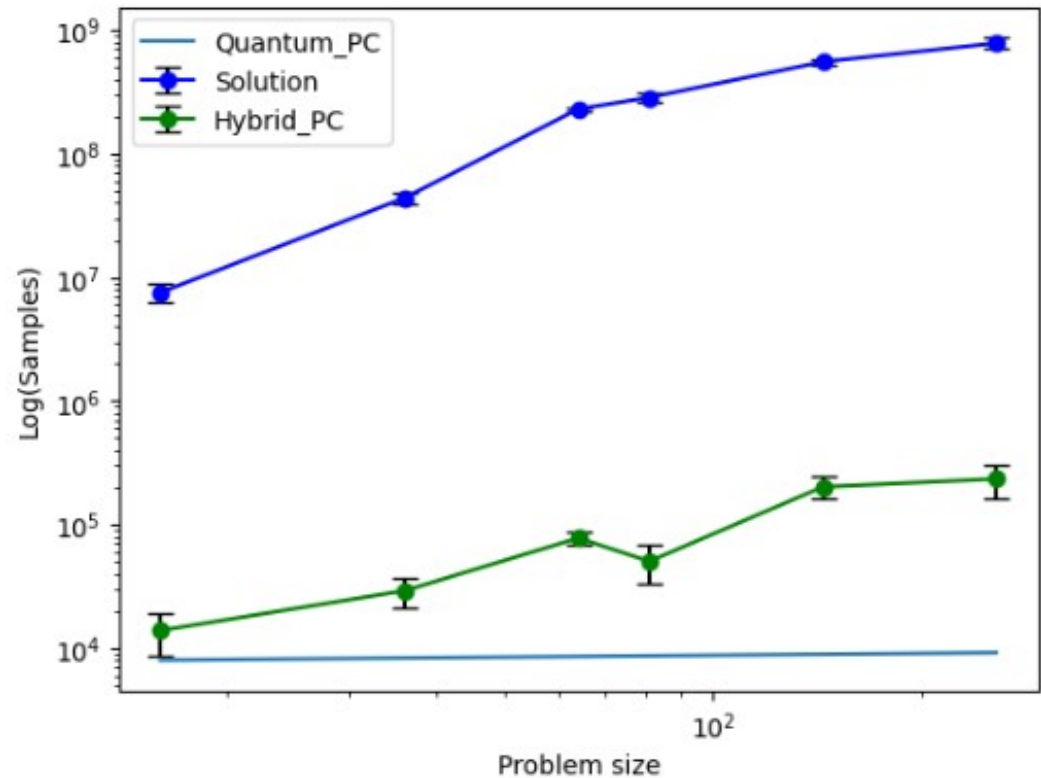
The number of skips can be controlled by changing the rejection criteria of the similarity test



There is a fairly wide region where the number of skips can be increased with little impact on error!

# Scalability

- The hybrid PC shows a better scaling with problem size when compared with actually solving using HHL (slope  $\sim 1.1$  C.F.  $\sim 1.7$ )
- The quantum PC further extends this and is close to being independent of problem size
- This greatly minimises the required number of readouts/state preparations and is a strong step towards actually harnessing the “exponential advantage” of HHL in practice



# Summary

- Repurposing HHL into a predictor-corrector leverages the quantum advantage while minimising required samples
- Predictor-corrector algorithm scales better with problem size when compared with using HHL to actually “solve” your system
- This comes at the cost of not actually knowing your solution, instead just having an estimate of how different your solution at time  $n+1$  is compared to the solution at time  $n$
- General in scope with other applications including chemistry or plasma simulations and incompressible NS flow solvers etc.