

# Quantum Information Technology Development in China

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# Supports of the State at All Levels

The NPC has adopted the outline of China's 13th five-year plan

2005

2006

2009

2019

The State Council

- The medium and long-term plans for major national science and technology infrastructure (2012-2030)
- National medium and long-term science and technology development plan outline (2006-2020)
- Outline of the national strategy for innovation-driven development
- National plan for scientific and technological innovation
- National development plan for **strategic emerging industries**
- National information plan

MOST and Joint Departments

- National **technical innovation** project planning
- National special program for basic research
- Civil-military integration of science and technology development planning
- The national 12th five-year plan for science and technology development
- The 12th five-year plan of the national major scientific research plan for **quantum regulation research**

National Development and Reform Commission

- Notice on organizing and implementing the 2018 **new-generation information infrastructure** construction project

National Wide-Area Quantum Secure Communication Network

# Introduction to the CAS Center

Operations jointly supported by the CAS and the Ministry of Education

Hosted by **USTC**, Directed by **Jian-Wei Pan**

includes top CAS institutes and universities on quantum physics

Shanghai Institute of  
Technical Physics



Institute of  
Semiconductors

Institute of Optics and  
Electronics



Nanjing University

and excellence groups among China's universities:

Tsinghua University, Peking University, Fudan University, etc.

# Organization of the CAS Center

- Theory in quantum communication
- quantum computation with trapped ions
- Topological quantum computation
- Quantum materials

Beijing branch

Hefei (headquarter)

Shanghai branch

- QIP with photons, NV centers, semiconductors, and molecules, etc.
- Quantum repeaters
- Quantum communication
- Quantum sensors

- Free-space quantum communication
- Quantum computation and simulation with superconductors and ultra-cold atoms
- Single-photon detection

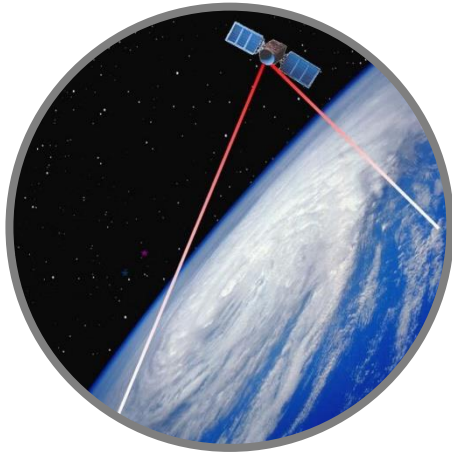
# Industry Chain Partners



Quantum Key Distribution, Quantum Computation, etc.

Research Fields: Quantum Physics & Quantum Information  
Outperform classical information systems in terms of

**Unconditional security**



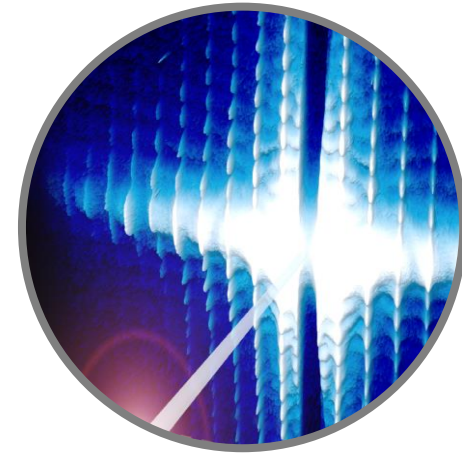
Quantum communication

**Computational capacities**



Quantum computation  
and simulation

**Super-resolution**



Quantum Metrology

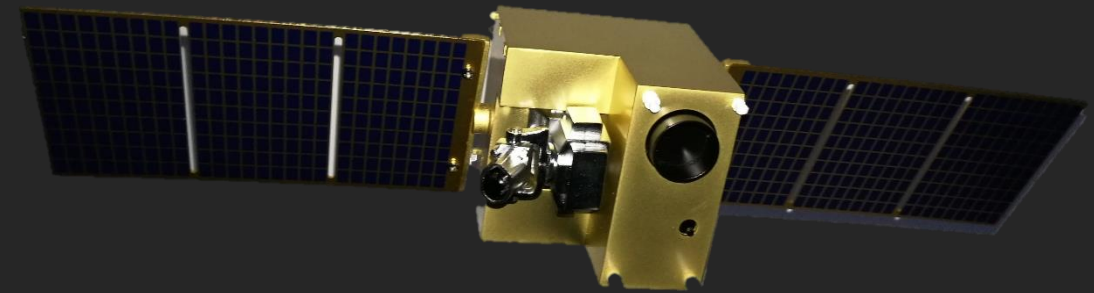


# National Quantum Communication Backbone Project

- Inter-city quantum communication backbone with 32 trusted relays (~2000km)
- For financial applications, public affairs, etc.
- Test-bed for quantum foundations (e.g. frequency dissemination)
- Completed at Sep. 2017



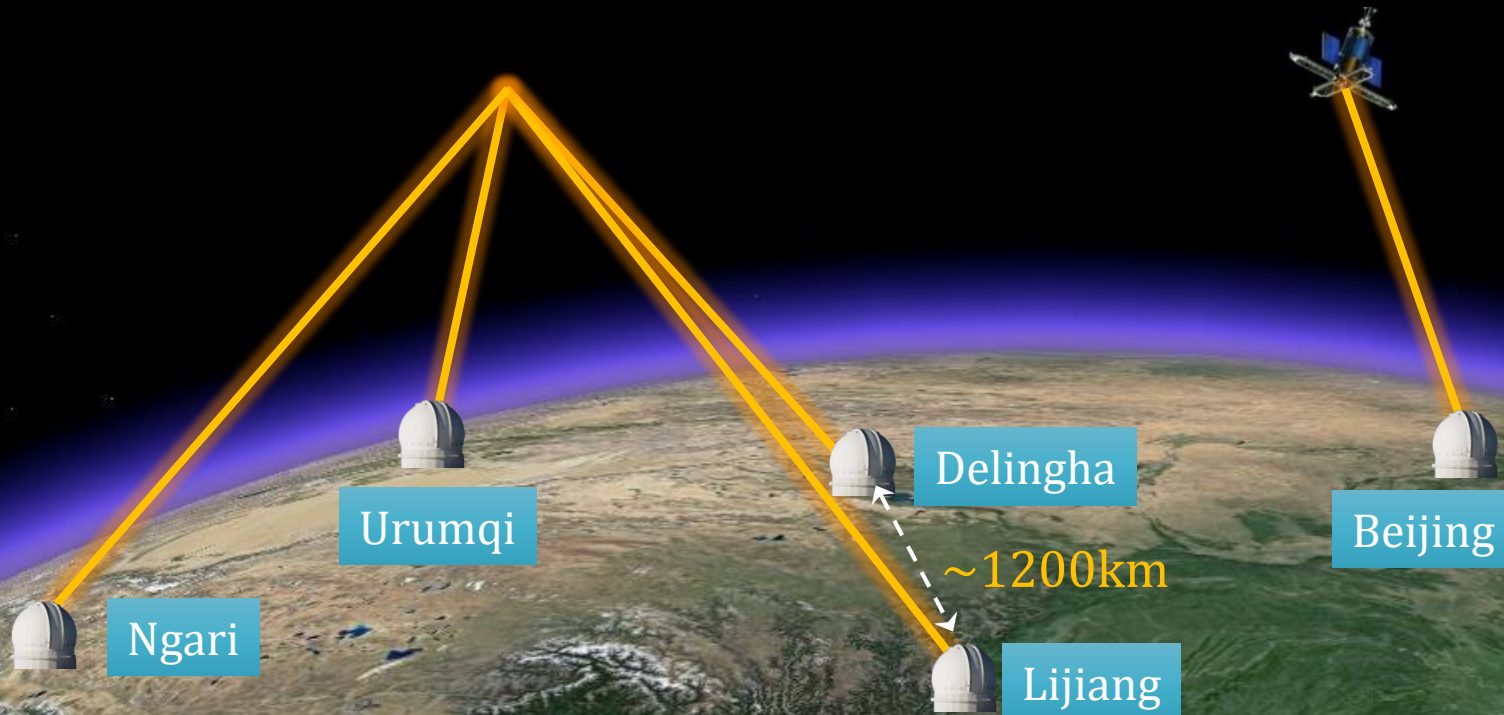
“Micius” was launched on 16th Aug, 2016 in Jiuquan Satellite Launch Center



- Weight: ~640kg
- Power: 560W
- Sun-synchronous orbit, altitude 500km



# Three Missions of Micius

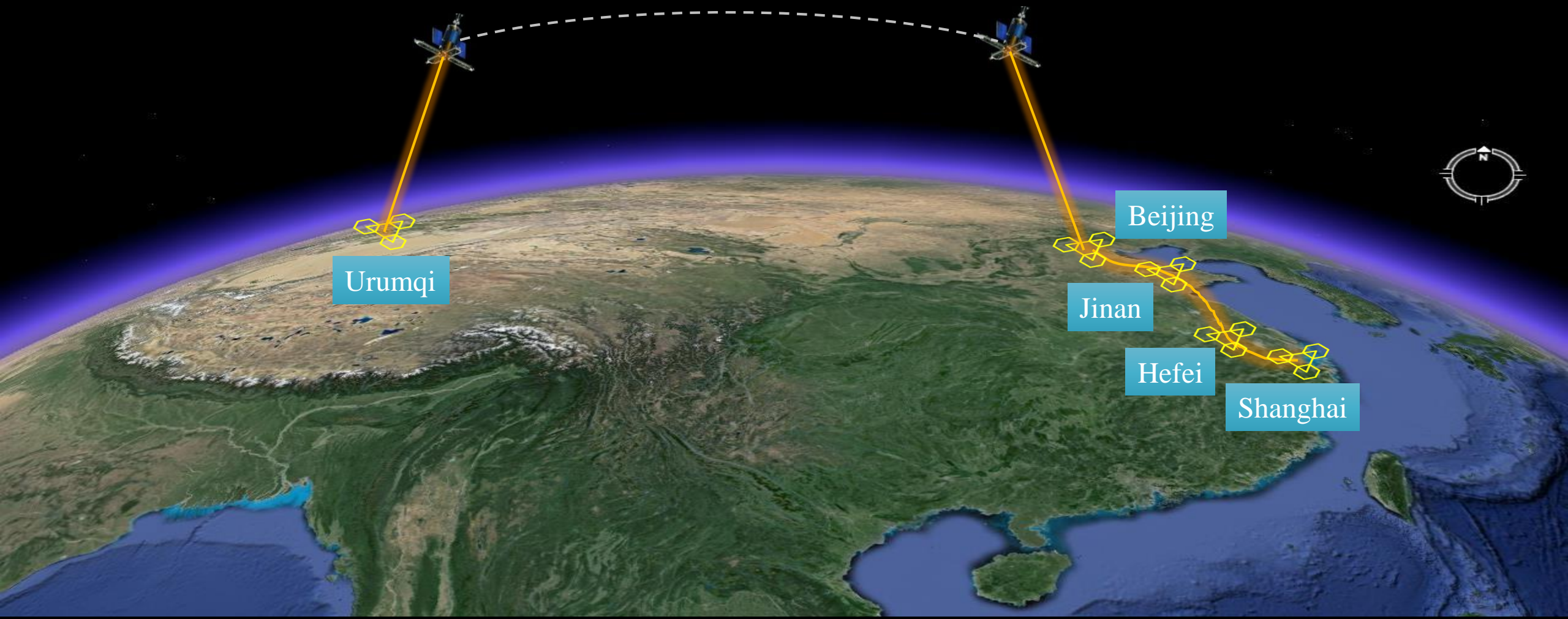


- QKD between satellite and ground, key rate  $\sim 1\text{kbps}$  (recently  $\sim 400\text{kbps}$ )  $\rightarrow$  20 orders of magnitudes higher than using fiber channel at 1200 km
- Quantum entanglement distribution from satellite, test of quantum nonlocality under strict Einstein's locality condition
- Quantum teleportation between ground and satellite

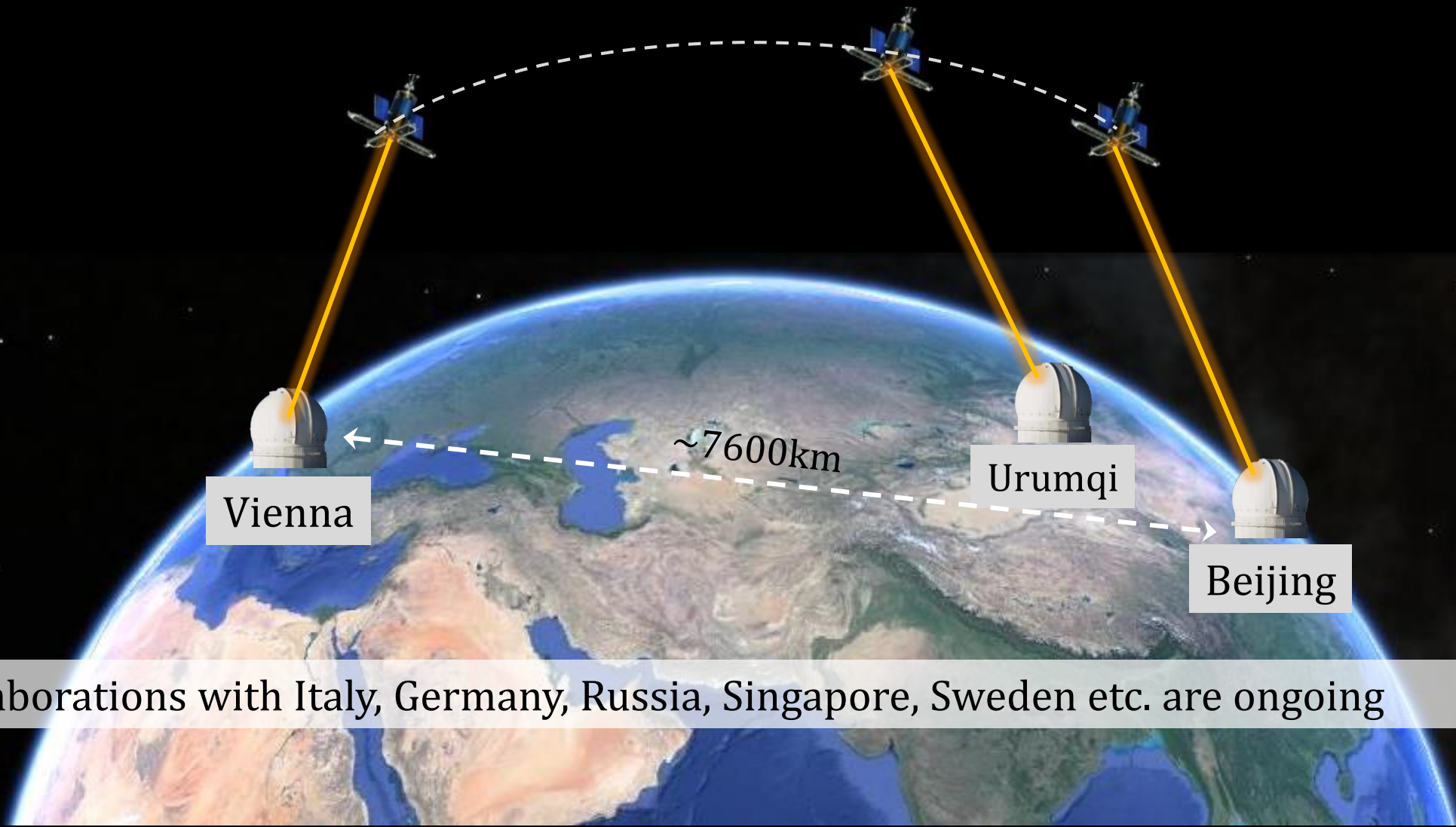


# Large Scale Quantum Communication Infrastructure

National Quantum Communication Backbone  
+  
Quantum Satellite Micius



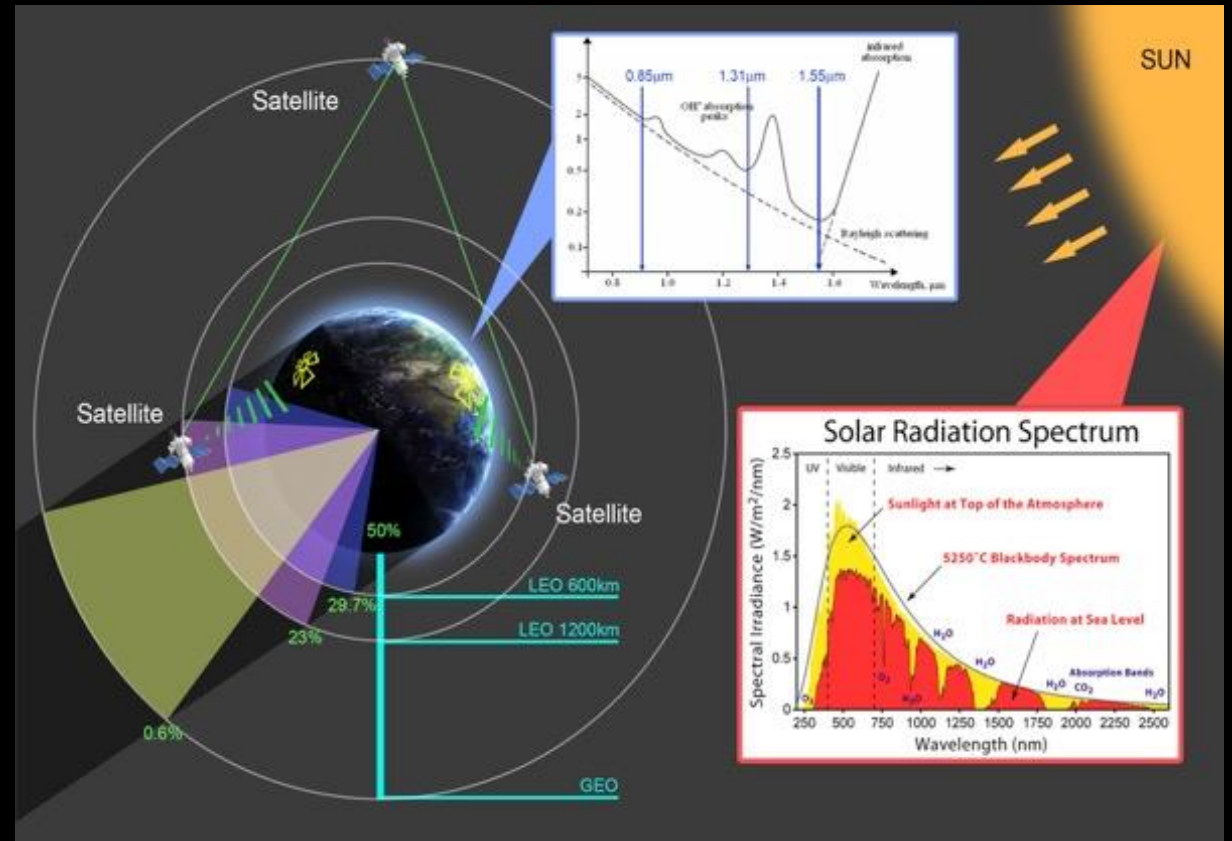
# Intercontinental Quantum Key Distribution



Collaborations with Italy, Germany, Russia, Singapore, Sweden etc. are ongoing

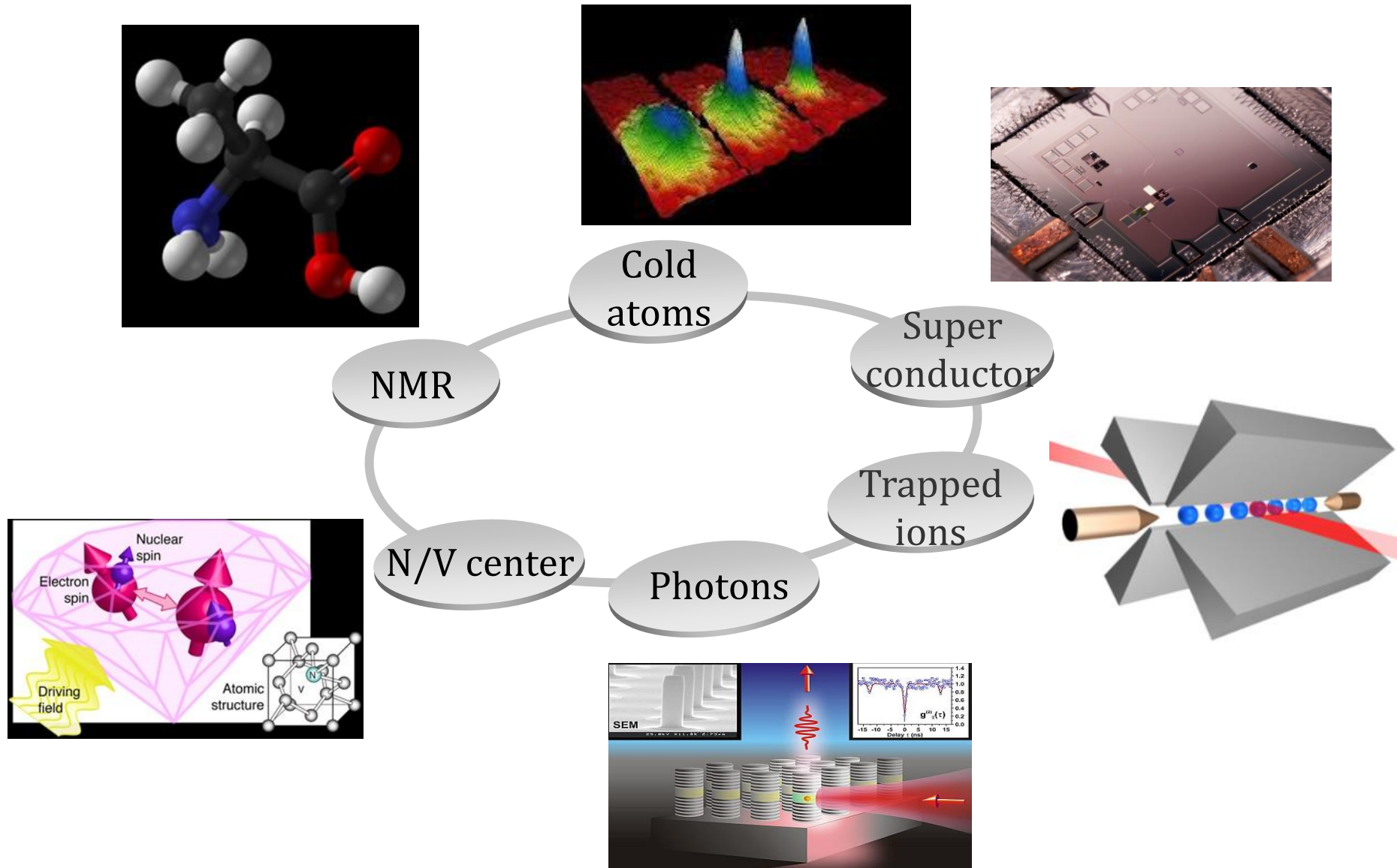
# In Progress

- ❌ LEO orbit can not cover the whole earth directly
- ❌ Only working in earth's shadow
- ✅ Solution: Quantum Constellation! A pre-requirement: work in solar radiation background
- ✅ Long-distance daylight QKD in 2017

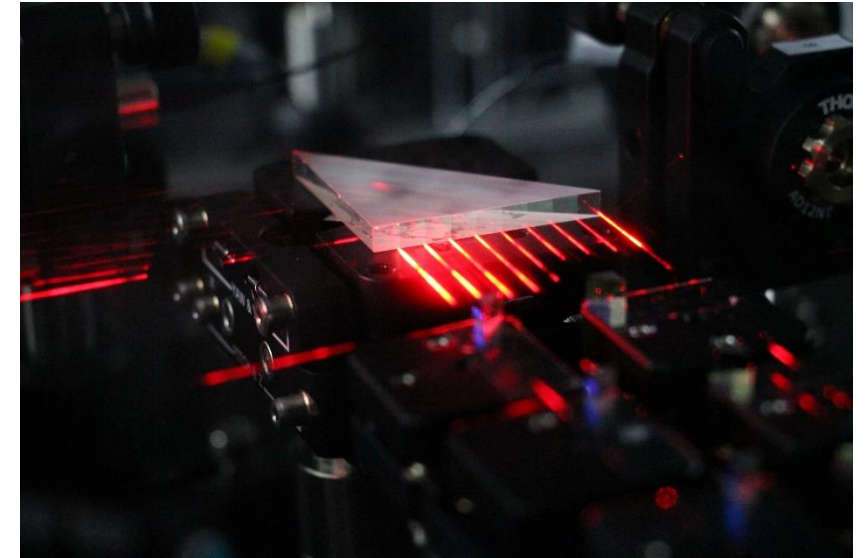
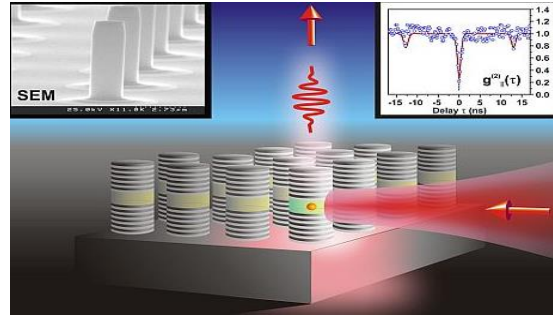
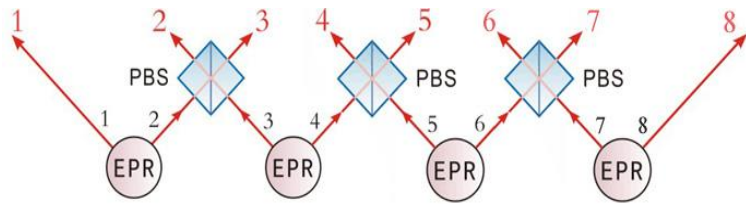




# Candidates for Quantum Computation

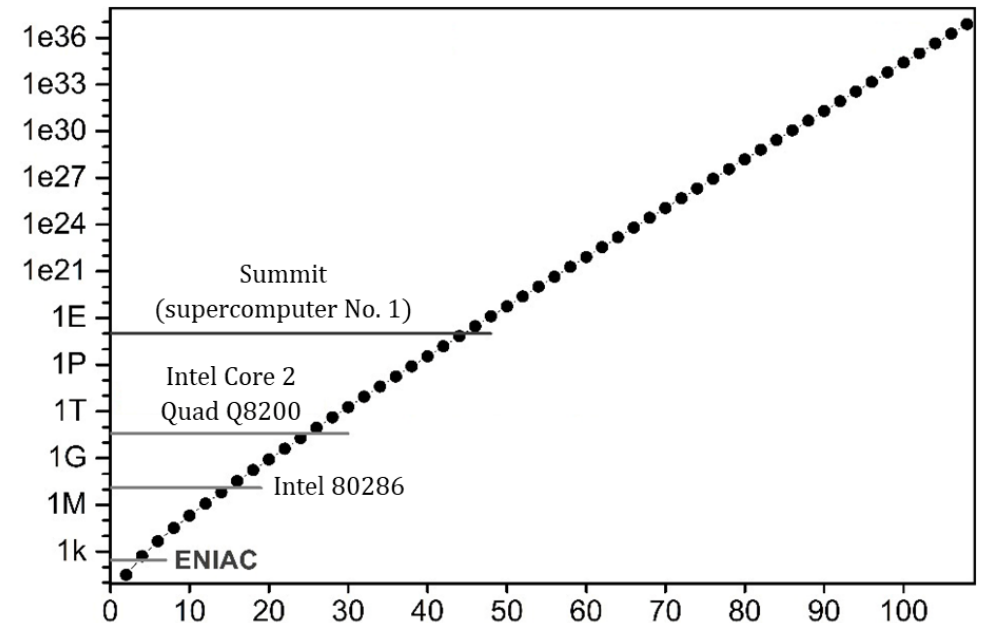


# Optical Quantum Computing

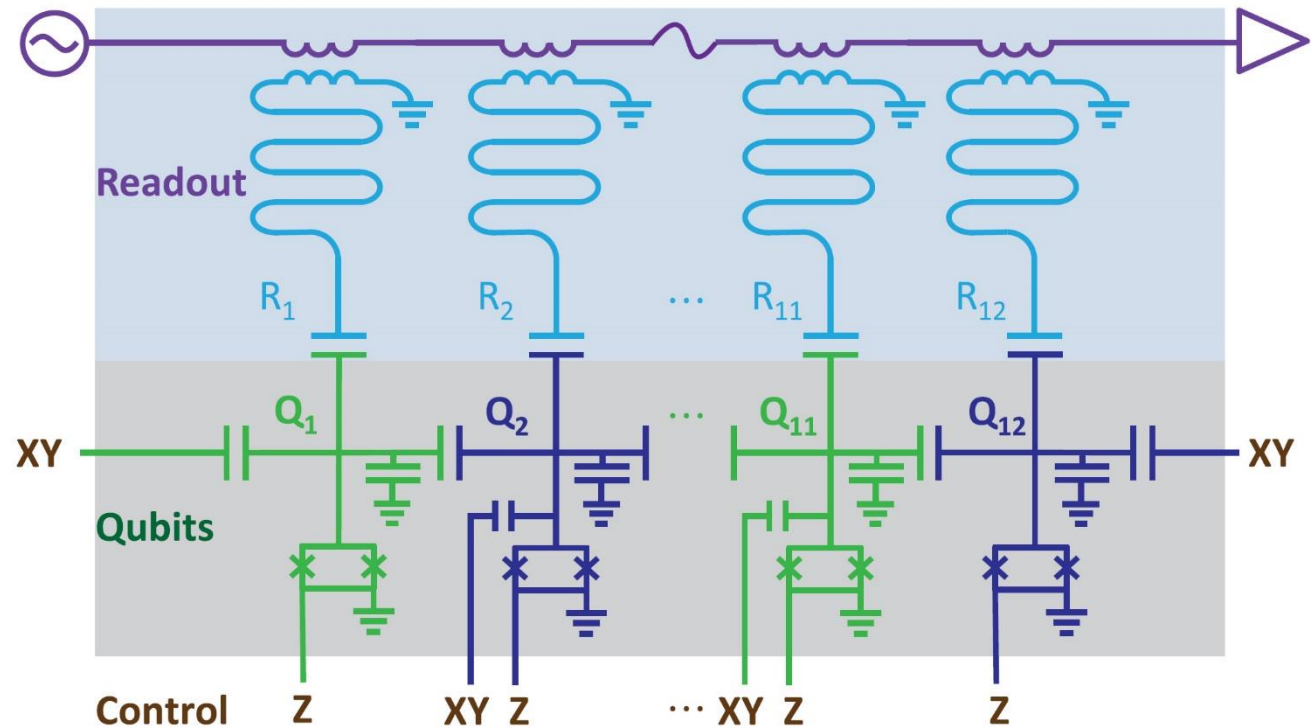
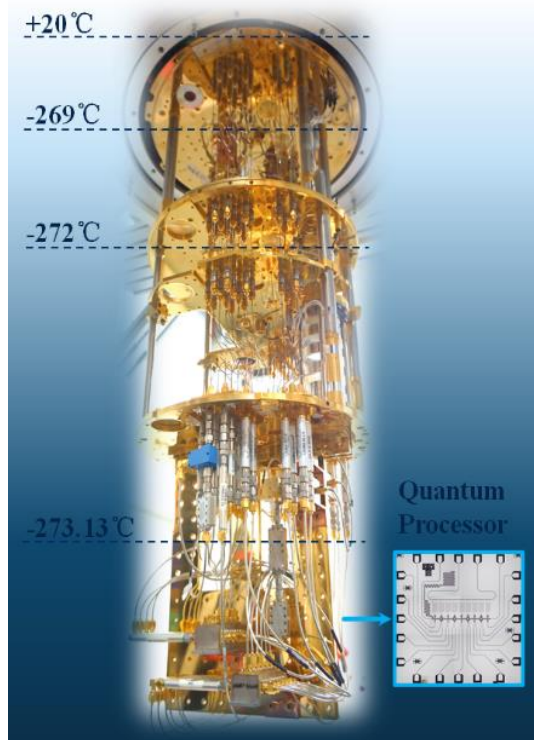


Multi-photon entanglement    Quantum-dot single photon sources

- High-efficiency multiphoton Boson Sampling machine, provably faster than ENIAC and TRADIC for the first time
- Single-photon source with overall efficiency exceeding 80% ➔  
Coherent manipulation of 20-30 photons  
Boson sampling with a complexity beating laptop



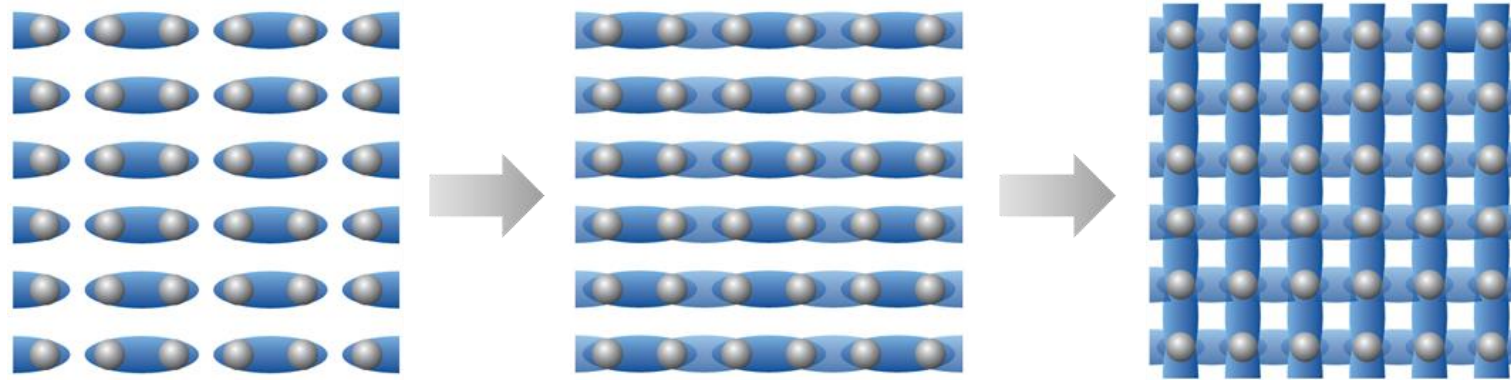
# Superconductor Quantum Computing



- Entanglement of 12 superconducting qubits
- Scalable engineering of high-fidelity 24 qubits

Fabrication and measurement of 30-50 qubit entanglement in progress

# Quantum Computation and Simulation with Ultra-Cold Atoms

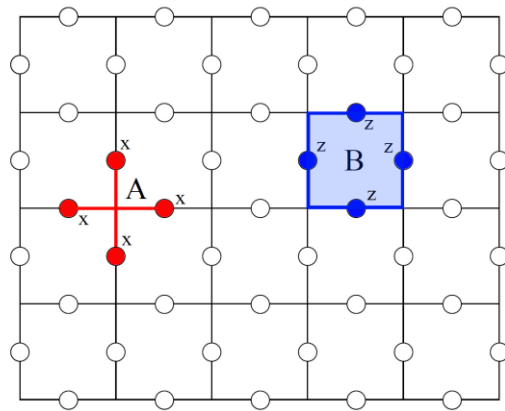


- Entanglement of atomic spins in optical lattice (~600 pairs in parallel)
- Demonstration of a Toric-code Hamiltonian and the Anyonic fractional statistics

$$H_0 = - \sum_s A_s - \sum_p B_p$$

$$A_s = \prod_{j \in \text{star}(s)} \sigma_j^x$$

$$B_p = \prod_{j \in \text{boundary}(p)} \sigma_j^z$$



Next step:

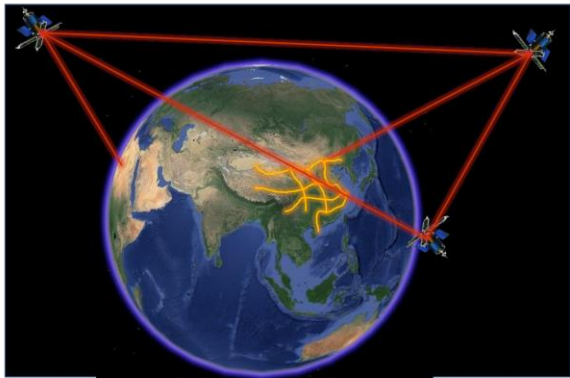
- Coherent manipulation of an entangled state of ~100 atoms
- To mimic strongly correlated topological matter



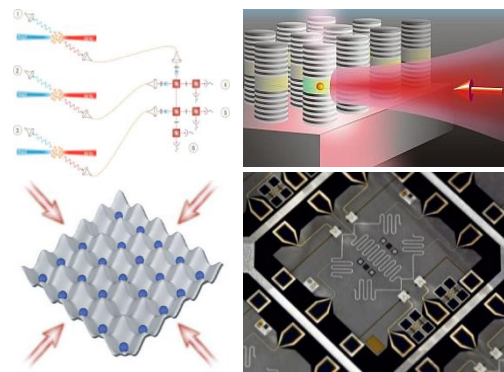
# China's Future National Projects

The CAS Center is now playing a **leading** role in organizing

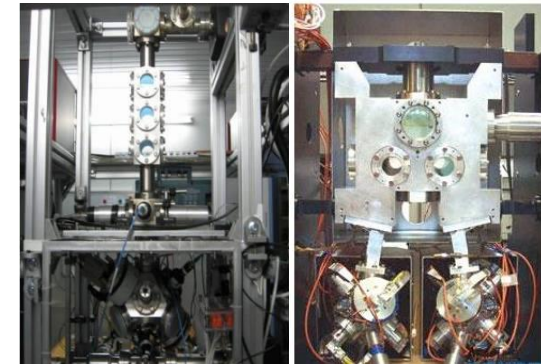
- National Science and Technology Project on Quantum Information in the next 10-15 years, similar to European Quantum Technologies Flagship and National Quantum Initiative of USA
- **National Laboratory for Quantum Information Sciences (NLQIS)**



Global Quantum  
Communication Networks



Scalable Quantum Computation  
and Quantum Simulation



Super-resolution  
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# National Laboratory for Quantum Information Sciences

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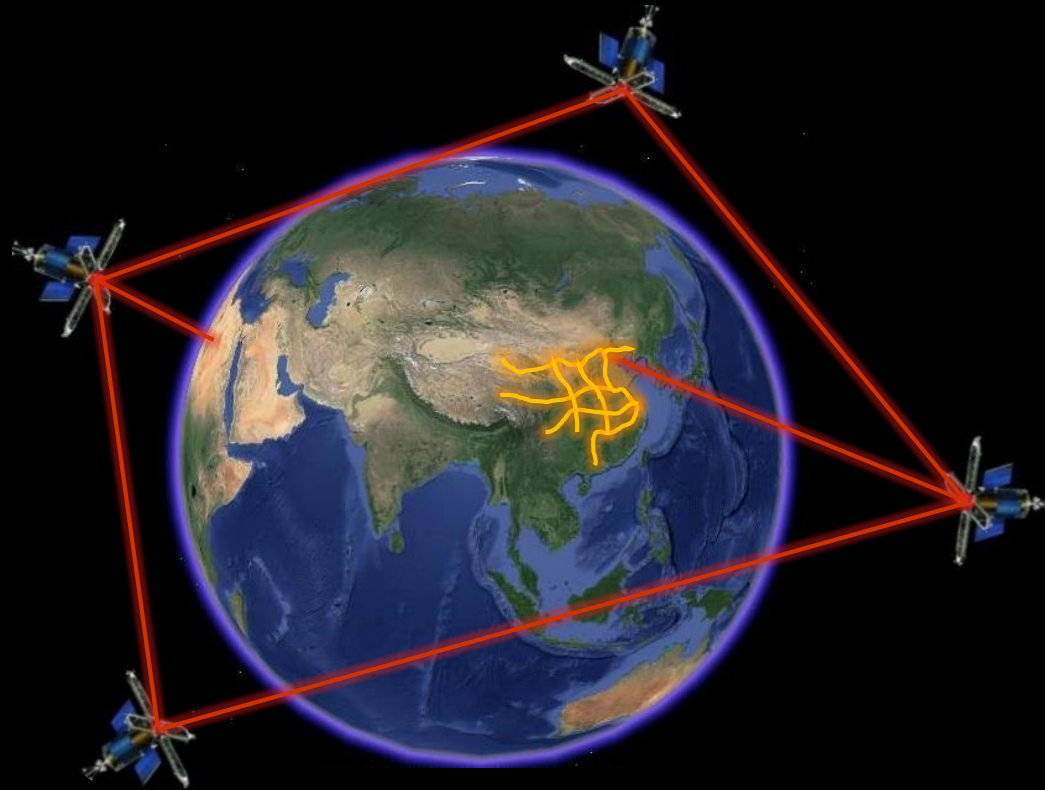
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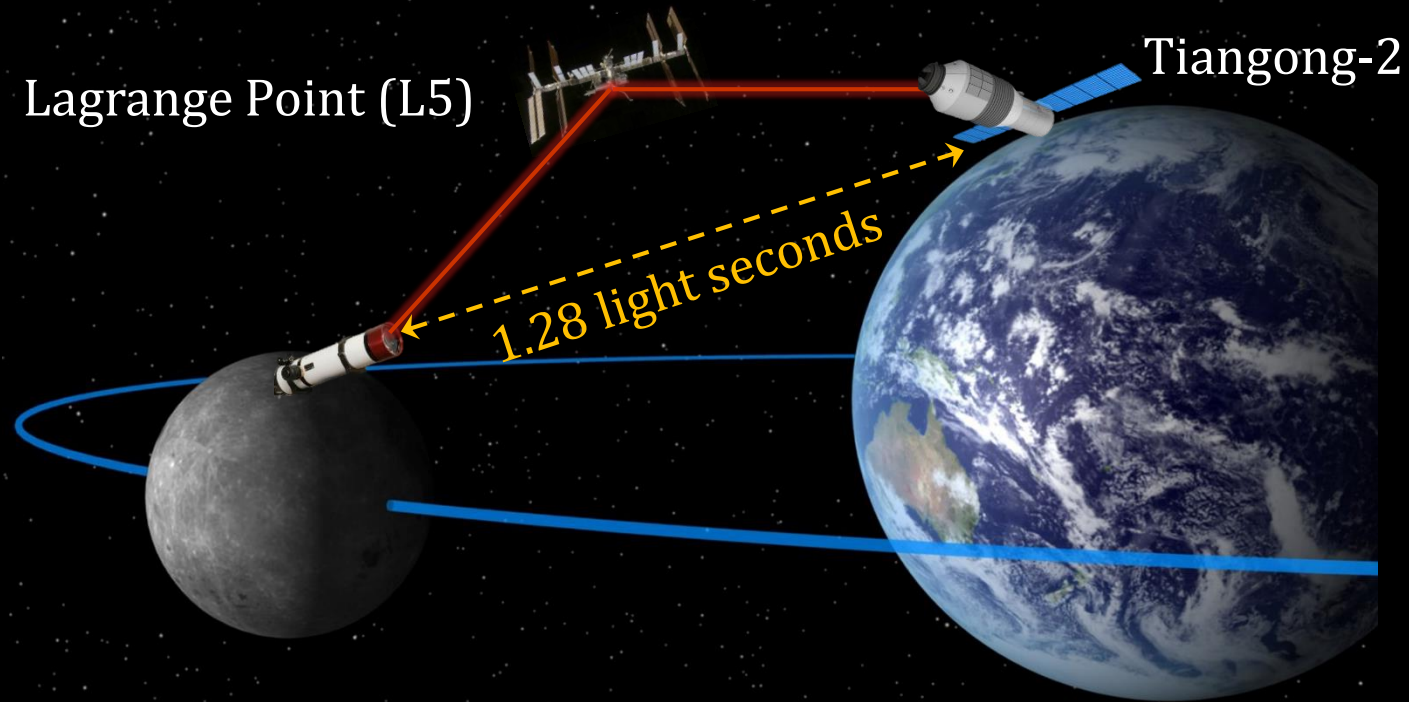
# Towards Global Quantum Communication Network



- **Quantum Constellation** covering the whole earth directly, with MEO and GEO satellites which will be launched in next 5-10 years
- Global quantum communication infrastructure ➔ **“Quantum Internet”**

# Large-scale Bell test

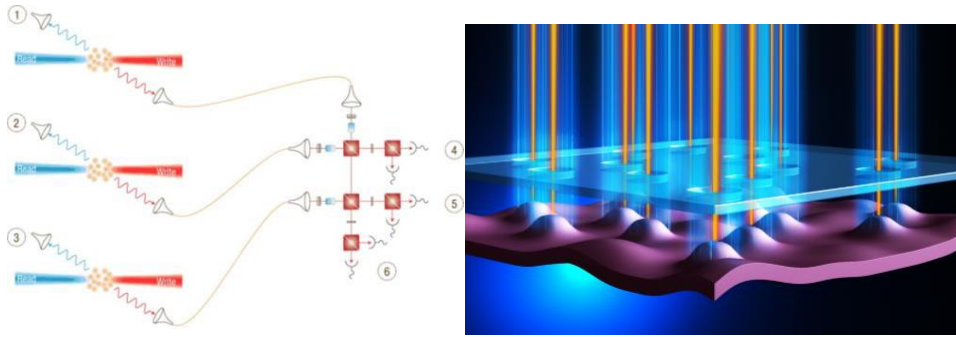
To close freedom of choice loophole and collapse locality loophole



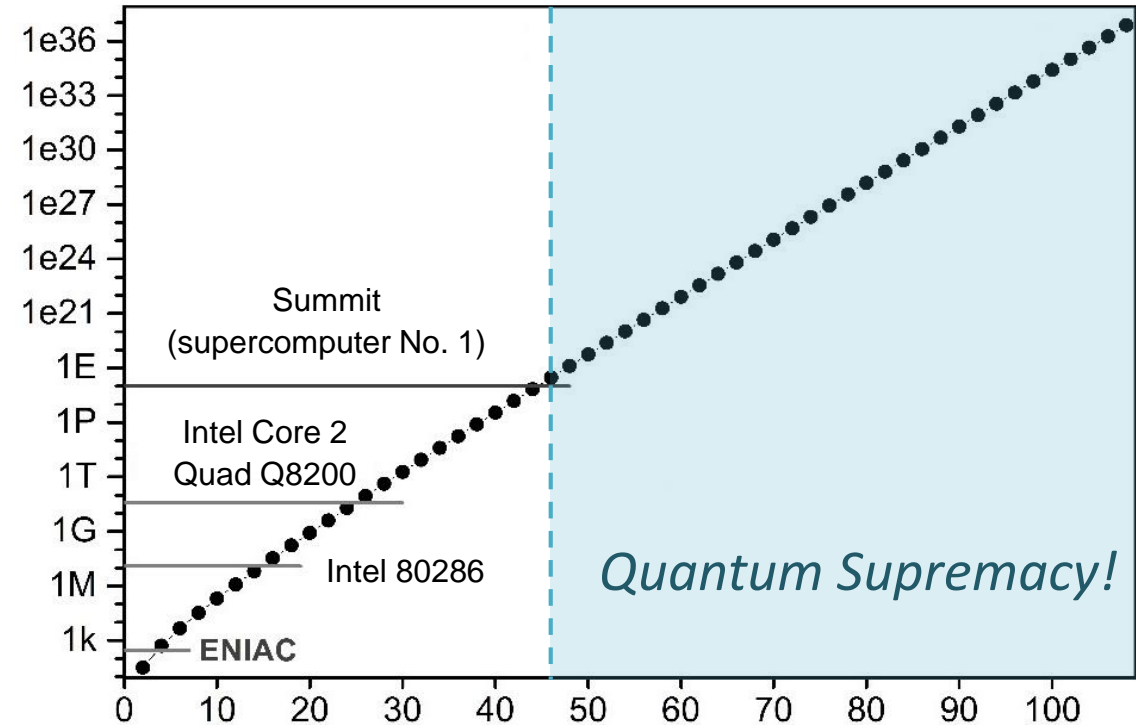
Entanglement distribution between Moon and Earth with China's future Moon landing project



# Towards Scalable Quantum Computation and Simulation



- More entangled particles with the help of quantum memory
- Efficient quantum dot single photon emitters



- In next 3-5 years: quantum computer with 50-60 qubits ➔ beating classical super computer in specific tasks (e. g. Boson sampling and portfolio optimization)
- In next 5-10 years: quantum computer with hundreds of qubits ➔ mimicking condensed matter physics (e. g., high temperature superconductor, quantum Hall effect, etc.)

# High-resolution and Highly Sensitive Measurements

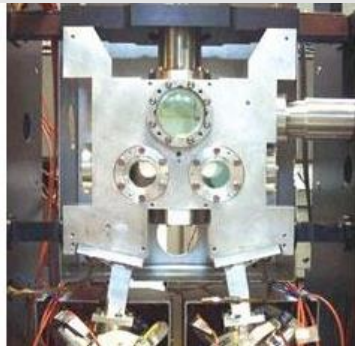


Optical clock  
+  
large scale optical time-frequency transfer network



High precision navigation and timing

High precision inertial navigation

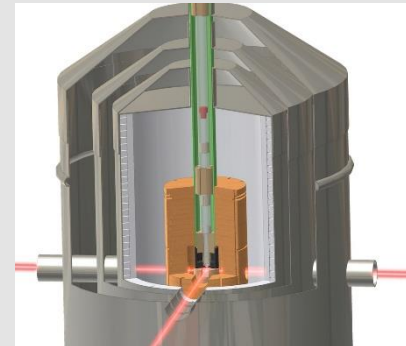


Atomic gyroscope

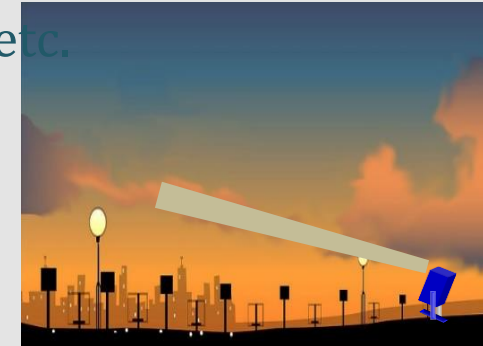


Atomic gravimeter

Applications for medical test  
and environmental monitoring



Atomic magnetometer



Single photon LIDAR

etc.

# Precise Timing Information Sharing

The Project “High-precision ground-based time service system”

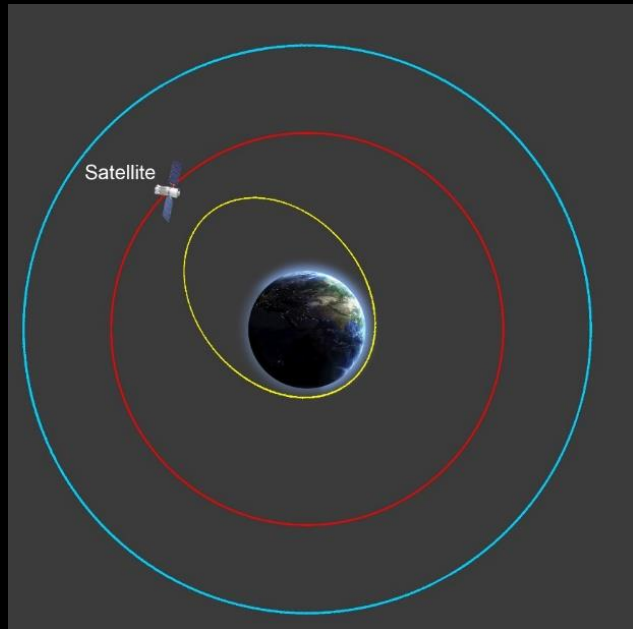


- To build the world's largest optical fiber time-frequency transfer network, with the most advanced indicators of the performance
- 3 primary stations, 5 secondary stations and 19 tertiary test stations

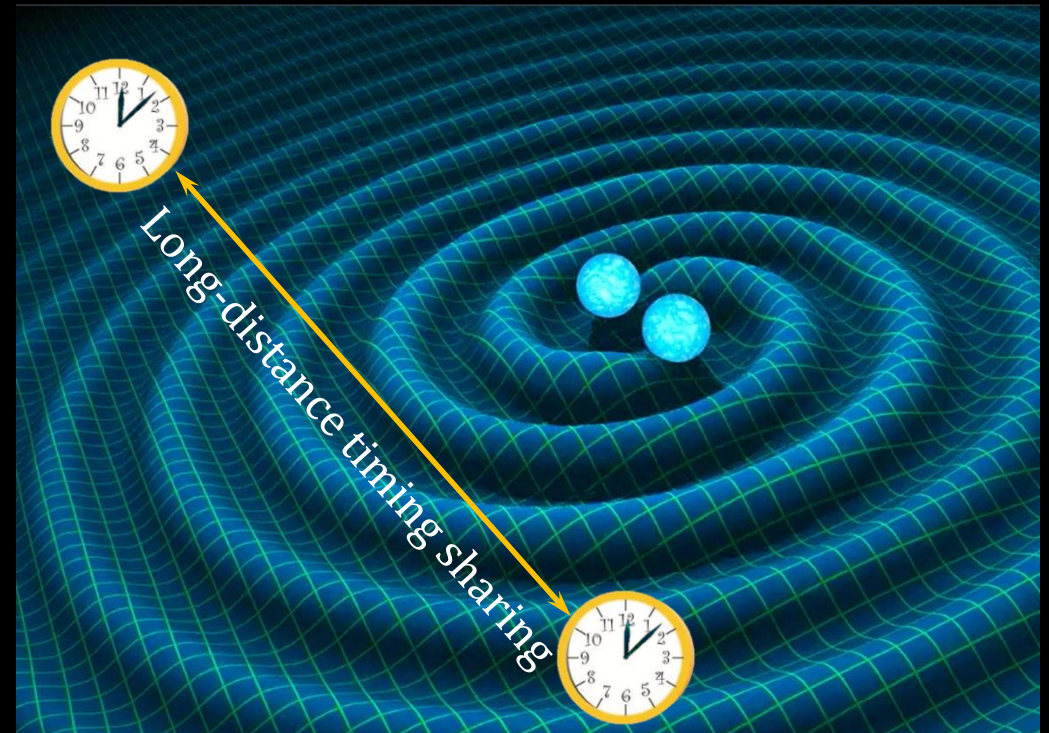


# Ultra-precise optical clocks in outer space

Negligible magnetic and gravitational noise → Fractional instability  $\sim 10^{-21}$



- Precisely detecting gravitational red shift at different altitude of orbits



- Detecting gravitational wave signal with lower frequency to 0.1Hz → revealing more kinds of astronomical events! (LIGO:  $\sim 100$ Hz)



Thank you for your attention.

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