

Introduction to Quantum Computing

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Reading Assignment: Course Website; KLM Chap 1 and 2.

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Happy New Year!

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Interested in working with QuICS?

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- ▶ you cannot submit assignments electronically.
- ▶ time conflicts of exams.
- ▶ concerns about the difficulty of the course.
- ▶ anything that you wanted to discuss

You might be interested in knowing

Some ongoing projects inside QuICS: (incomplete list)

- ▶ Circuit Compilation and Optimization.
- ▶ Quantum Programming Languages.
- ▶ Quantum Algorithms for Optimization.
- ▶ Quantum Computing meets Machine Learning.
- ▶ Quantum Hamiltonian Simulation.
- ▶ Quantum Cryptography.
- ▶ (check more at our website)

Reading Assignments on Linear Algebra

Linear algebra with Dirac notations

- ▶ KLM 2.1-2.6.
- ▶ A cheatsheet on our website.