DEVELOPMENTS IN QUANTUM SENSORS AND THEIR ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES

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Quantum Technology Applications and Markets





Overall economic impact much larger (e.g. estimate for QC in 2035: \$620B-\$1270B)

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Segmentation of Companies Against Quantum Sensors and Instruments



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Estimated Income through Contracts or Revenue in US\$



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Table 2: Quantum Platform Technologies Underpinning Sensor Modalities

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	Vapour Cell	Cold Atoms	NV-diamond	Other	Quantum Photonics
Quantum Magnetometers					
Quantum Electric Field Sensors					
Atomic Clock					
Quantum Intertial Sensor					
Quantum Imaging					



Quantum Technologies – Beginnings



1900: Radiation of hot objects



Planck Postulate: Electromagnetic energy is quantised

E=hv

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Albert Einstein explains photocelectric effect using light quantum hypothesis



 \rightarrow Nobel Prize 1921

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Quantenwellen



1920-30: Wave particle duality





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Bohr's Atom model

Quantum 1.0



Technology based on understanding quantum levels in solids



Quantum 2.0



Superposition and entanglement

Superposition



Particle simultaneously in several states → Schrödinger's cat Entanglement



"Superposition across several particles"

Example: Superposition in an atom



"Oscillating electron cloud"



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How to make an atom oscillate?



"Push" using electric field



Pushing a classical oscillator



Induced electric dipole

Ingredients for Quantum Technologies



Techology Considerations



Photons versus radio waves

- Radio waves:
 - Standard electronic integration technologies
 - Cryogenics required to avoid thermal background and excitations

- Photons:
 - Operation at quantum level at room temperature possible
 - Photonic integration technologies required to drive size, weight, power and cost down.

How do Quantum Clocks work?



Replacing the classical oscillator with an atom







Reproducible and precise due to laws of nature



This is how it looks like

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Quantum Magnetometers

Superposition of energy levels depending on external magnetic field





Oscillation frequency depends on magnetic field





Quantum Gravimeters / Inertial Sensors

Potential difference leads to different phase evolution



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Disruptive consequences of new sensors

Sensors and clocks are enabling system capabilities with large economic impact

Historic examples based on sensor-related Nobel Prizes



Sensor utility needs systems thinking!



USPs of Quantum Sensors

Quantum Clocks: highest accuracy



Quantum 2.0 for Navigation and Time



Quantum clocks are powering current global satellite navigation systems





Credit: ESA

Synchronisation

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Impact: 5-10% of GDP

Commercial Opportunities through Quantum Clocks





Communication



3D Radar



Urban Flight



Global Height Reference



Satellite Navigation



Autonomous Vehicles



USPs of Quantum Sensors

Quantum Magnetometer: highest sensitivity at room temperature



OPM-MEG development – 2015 – 2019 - Adaptation to Head Size

University of



Its here NOW: Commercial Offering





Joint venture between University of Nottingham and Magnetic Shields Ltd.









USPs of Quantum Sensors

Quantum Inertial Sensors (including gravimeters): low bias and high scale factor accuracy

Allows e.g. high common mode suppression in differential measurements



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Enabling Gravity Cartography

- Relevant to a range of applications, including:
 - Water monitoring
 - Infrastructure
 - Archaeology
 - Agriculture
 - Navigation



Schematic Setup of a Quantum Navigation



Market Roadmap for Quantum Navigation Systems





Potentially Accessible Quantum Sensor Markets

Key Drivers: Robustness and Cost

Operational Environment





Thank you for listening



Questions?

- Key messages:
- Quantum Sensors offer USPs, which could allow significant markets and huge economic impact
- Hybrid electro-optomechanicl integration is a key enabler for market success of quantum sensors