

## Steve Meyer's QCs as analog computers rump session references

My Eurocrypt 2019 slides are posted on the Eurocrypt conference web site rump session section. Here are the back ground references I said I would post. It still bugs me that cryptographers assume properties of QCs that do not correspond to physical reality.

Best introduction to ion trap quantum computers is to listen to one of Chris Monroe's (U of Maryland professor and IonQ company CEO) physics colloquim presentations such as: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9aOLwjUZLm0> Also see web page <https://ionq.co/resources> for mostly PR and software simulation type articles. I think IonQ wants to run crypto algorithms (if interested contact them).

Here are references on von Neumann's thinking during his VNC design.

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- Kohler[2001] Kohler, E. Why von Neumann Rejected Carnap's Dualism of Information Concepts. In Redei, M. and Stoltzner, M. (eds.) *John von Neumann and the Foundations of Quantum Physics*. Vienna Circle Institute Yearbook 8, Kluwer, 2001, 97-134.

Here are the references on Heisenberg's in my view too formal interpretation of Niels Bohr's Copenhagen interpretation and Paul Feyerabend's defense of Bohr. Also a reference from Popper falsifying quantum logic.

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Here is some sociological background on why Feyerabend stopped studying physics after 1970. A physicist claimed Feyerabend was an unskilled physicist in spite of his being invited to lecture to Stanford physicists in the late 1960s. He was then ignored by the Lawrence Berkeley Labs fundamental fysiks group that popularized Bell's inequality.

- Svozil[2011] Svozil, K. Feyerabend and Physics. in *Paul Feyerabend: ein Philisoph aus Wien* (eds. Stadler, F. and Fischer, K.), Instituts Wiener Kreis, 49-60.
- Kaiser[2011] Kaiser, D. *How the Hippies Saved Physics - Science, Counter Culture and the Quantum Revival*. Norton, 2011.

Here is Shor's paper that assumes  $P=NP$  in the weak TM model for his quantum computer algorithms.

Shor[1997]      Shor, P. Polynomial-Time Algorithms for Prime Factorization and Discrete Logarithms on a Quantum Computer. [arXiv:quant-ph/9508027v2](https://arxiv.org/abs/quant-ph/9508027).