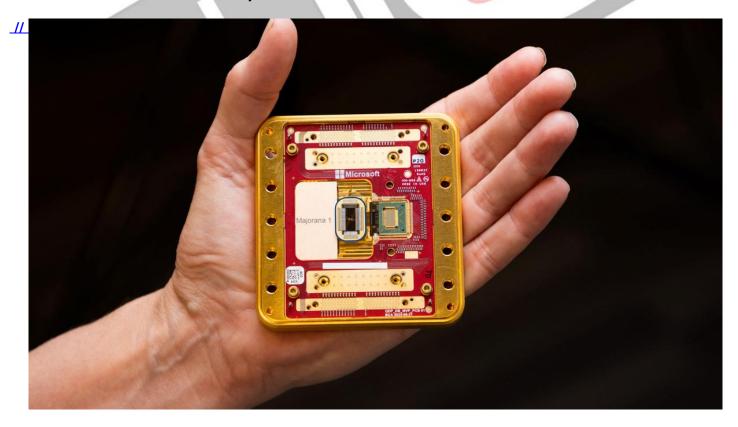


Majorana 1

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Microsoft has introduced **Majorana 1**, the world's first quantum chip powered by a **Topological Core architecture**, which aims to revolutionize **quantum computing**.

- Key Facts About Majorana 1: It is the first quantum chip to utilize a Topoconductor (Topological Superconductor), creating a new state of matter beyond solids, liquids, or gases, but a topological state.
 - It is composed of indium arsenide (a <u>semiconductor</u>) and aluminum
 (a <u>superconductor</u>), enabling enhanced quantum stability and performance.
 - The chip relies on Majorana fermions that act as their own antiparticles.
 - It features eight qubits, but its Topological Core architecture enables error-resistant scaling to one million qubits, ensuring stable quantum computations.
 - Unlike classical computers using binary bits (0s and 1s), quantum computers
 use qubits, which exist in multiple states simultaneously, enabling exponentially
 faster computations.
 - Applications: Could help in breaking down microplastics, creating self-healing materials, improving healthcare solutions, and solving complex chemistry and materials science problems.



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