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## The ABCs (Accelerated, Better and Cheaper) to Cryptographic Resilience



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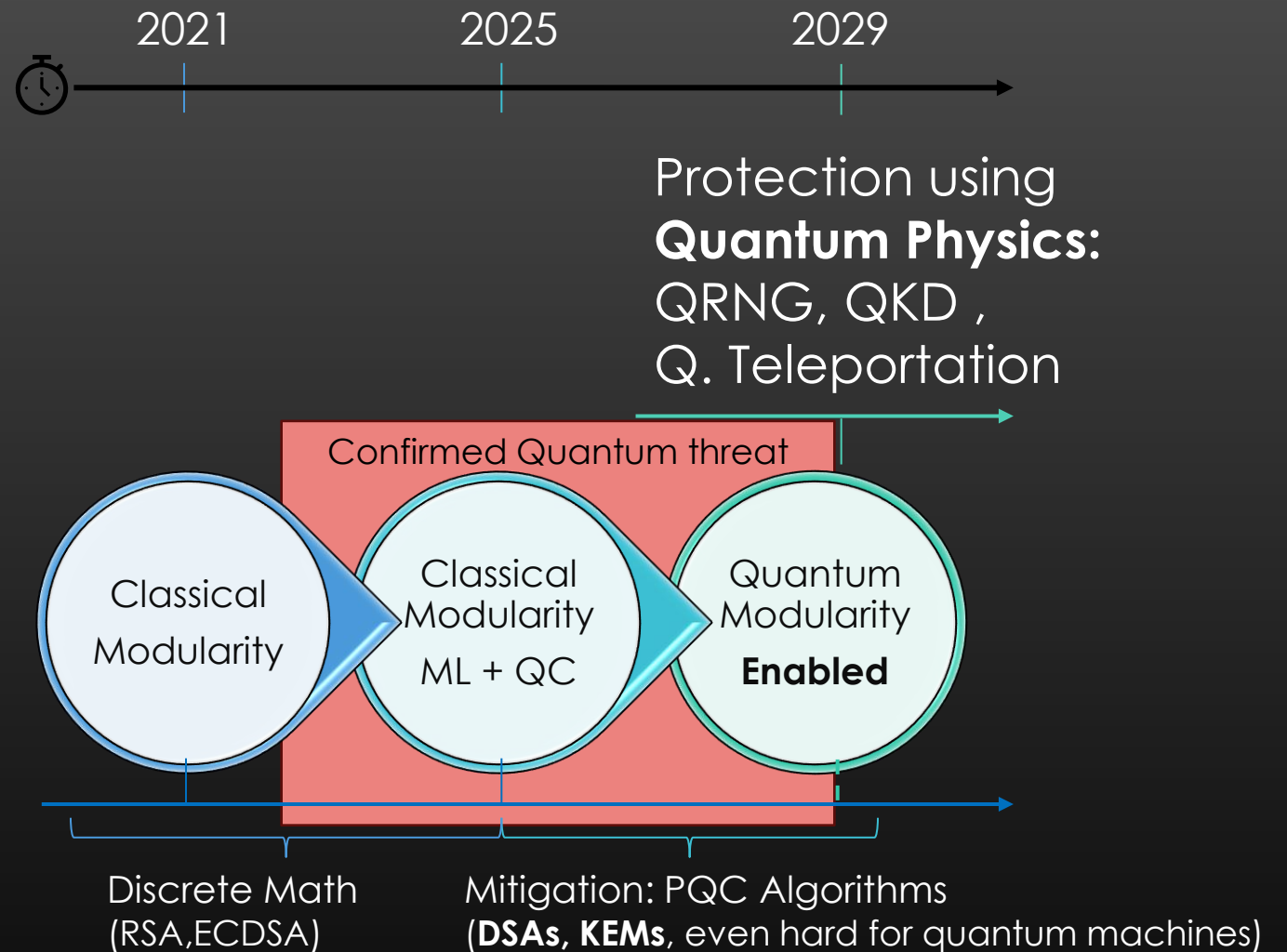
# OVERVIEW

## Agenda:

- Where we stand today
- Why this transition is complex
  - How some are solved using NIST and IETF
  - Key adoption challenges leaders face
- ABC: A decision framework for quantum resilience
- Roadmap to help you execute Accelerated, Better and Cheaper modernization and resilience



# WHERE ARE WE NOW?



Protection using  
**Quantum Physics:**  
QRNG, QKD ,  
Q. Teleportation

Protection using **Mathematical Hardness**

# COMPLEXITIES AHEAD OF US

- Mathematical Complexity
- Implementation Complexity
- Decision Complexity

# STANDARDS (NIST)

- Solved Mathematical Complexity via:
  - **PQC Algorithms\***: Kyber, Dilithium, Sphincs+ and Falcon, also known as FIPS 203, 204, 205 and 206.
  - **Key Encapsulation Mechanisms** : NIST SP 800-227.

\*NIST is working on widening the selection pool.

# STANDARDS (OTHERS)

- IETF Standards
  - Configuration and syntax
  - Implementation protocol
  - Interoperability and
  - Reference architectures
    - TLS, IPSEC.
    - Message Encoding signatures (JOSE/ COSE)
- PCI DSS, BSI and also Health Industry cybersecurity standards to follow later

# PQC TRANSITION OPTIONS

- Hybrid & Composite choice
- Pure PQC choice
- Decoupled cryptographic designs
- Hardware Support. example: FIPS certified modules

Tune in to the panel discussion at 2:30 on 30<sup>th</sup> Oct 2025 covering this in detail



# KNOWN CHALLENGES

- Legacy system dependencies
- Regulatory uncertainty
- Supply chain readiness
- Efficiency of PQC algorithms

# PRODUCT READINESS

## Predicted readiness

Q2 2026: Product readiness for HSMs and libraries

Q4 2028: Certification using Regional CMVP for Compliance and regulatory clarity for HSMs, offline, TEE, TPM and PCI compliant devices

Q4 2029: Standard Implementation in new firmware and OS cryptography in most products

**Assumptions: Businesses** and their suppliers actively volunteer in the early FIPS/ other hardware level testing to uncover operational disruptions

# CYNEFIN DECISION FRAMEWORK

Process are established and repeatable

**ABC2, Complex** → **ABC3, Complicated**

**Approach:**

Plan, Do, Check, Act  
Apply Emergent  
practices

**Approach:**

Use Expertise to chose  
from available options  
Apply Good practices

Reliance on Human

Opportunity to automate

Probe-Sense-Respond

Sense-Analyse- Respond

Disorder &  
Confusion

Act-Sense-Respond

Sense-Categorise-Respond

**Approach:**

Take transition decision  
Apply Novel practices

**Approach:**

Apply the accepted  
Standardized options &  
Best practices

**ABC1, Chaotic**

**ABC4, Clear**

Unaccounted edge-cases may result in chaos

**Change Definition:**  
Structural Challenges  
Difficult to Change

**Change driven by?:**  
Crisis

**What can you do?:**  
Risk Management

**What you invest in?:**  
Services

**Change Definition:**  
Changeable Design  
Enables Control

**Change driven by?:**  
Problems

**What can you do?:**  
Fix the problem

**What you invest in?:**  
Technology

**Accelerated, Better, Cheaper (ABC)**

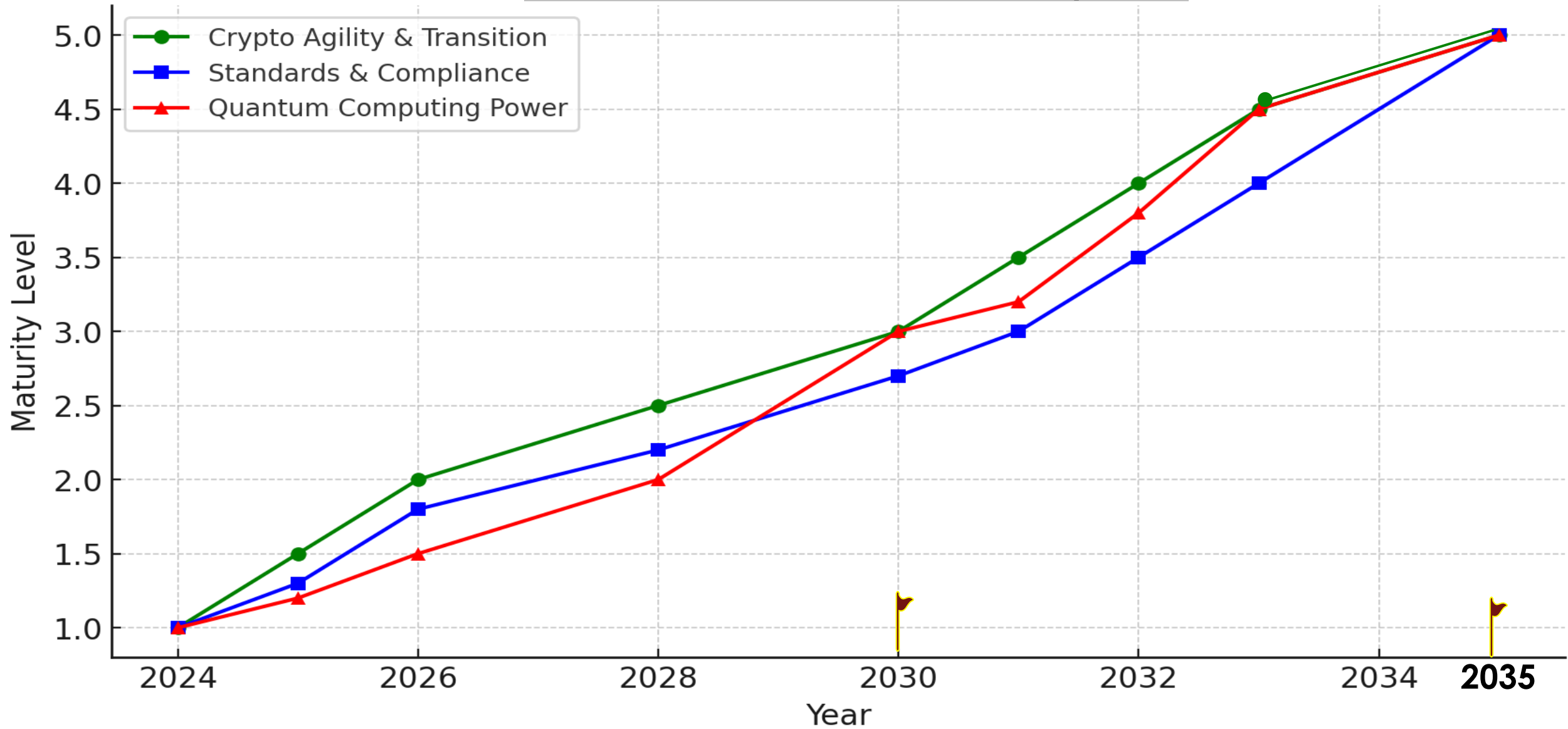
**Pick from options ABC1,ABC2,ABC3 or ABC4**

# ROADMAP FOR YOU

- **2025-2028** (Tactical plan):
  - Build Inventory of whatever you can
  - Partner with your current vendors
  - Test all PQC developer tools and libraries
  - Document your own lessons learnt
  - Kick start your strategic replacement
  - Kick off the budget & resourcing plan
- **2029-2035** (Implementation Plan):
  - Full PQC adoption execution
  - Compliance alignment execution
  - Can review/implement QKD solutions

Timeline	2024	2025	2026	2028	2030	2031	2032	2033	2035
Quantum Computing Power	5k gates, Classical Modularity + Quantum Circuits		7.5k gates, Quantum Modularity	15k gates, Quantum Modularity	100 Million gates Error Corrected and stable quantum modularity			1 Billion gates unlocking Fully Powerful Quantum-centric super computers	
Standards & Compliance Timeline	Initial NIST Standards & US Gov Memo	NIST include more PQC options	IETF standards Inter-op & Reference architectures	HSM, Modules and libraries certifications	PCI DSS SWIFT etc	Increased Regulatory Scrutiny	ISO, OWASP, etc	Accessibility to standardized and certified vendor options for implementation	
Org & Sector Crypto Agility & Transition Timeline	Incorporate PQC Standards in their Cyber Standards	Begin analysis Of your supplier & Crypto-agility solutions	Impact analysis of algorithms of strength less than 128 bits SHA, AES, RSA, ECDH, ECDSA.	Mandatory Replacement algorithms of strength less than 128 bits SHA, AES, RSA, ECDH, ECDSA		Tested all current supplier solutions with PQC designs	Mandatory Retirement of all RSA, ECDH & ECDSA In parallel, Evaluate new Quantum-enabled solutions		Quantum enabled Networks
Maturity	Initial					Managed		Defined	

## Quantum Resilience Timeline Depiction



Scaling this **cryptographic cliff** within the time is crucial.



# CALL TO ACTION

- **Start your tactical plan today**
- Engage with active industry groups directly working with NIST, IETF, **PKI Consortium and its PQC group**.
- **Evaluate PQC solutions** with or without vendors
- Monitor NIST, IETF standards and PQC group updates
- **Prepare** for regulatory adoption deadlines

# CLOSING THOUGHTS

- PQC transition is a mandate
- Time is running out, but resilience is achievable
- Collaboration is key to success